

March 13, 1840



Winchester 13<sup>th</sup> March 40

Dear Sir

I have in yours of the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst. The next regular Term of the C. B. will be holden at New Haven on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April. I cannot say whether the Council for Groves & others would be willing to submit their claim for salvage on written arguments, yet I have no doubt they would do so if it was suggested to them. I see no necessity in going over with the evidence again, there can be no dispute hereafter about the facts, or at least the prominent facts upon which the matter is to be decided the one way or the other. I presume no party in interest would expect to gain any thing by another examination of the testimony. The general history of the matter is all that is necessary to raise the questions upon which the Court must decide it. So far as I am concerned I should have no objection to submit the matter to the Circuit Court on a written argument & upon the evidence as given before the District Court. If I can be informed soon that the other Council concerned will do the same. I have no instructions for or against any person or party except the Sp. Minister

Respectfully

Yours &c N. S. Holabird

Mr. J. H. Colburn

Windsor Conn

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