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My Dear Sir

I send you by this mail a printed copy of the testimony which I had obtained for my own use - and which came to my hands only a half hour ago - & of which I have not had time to read a word since I received it. - I can readily get another copy for myself - You will be able when you read it to determine whether any thing is proper to be done on your part. The testimony was all taken before I came here - But I had determined before I received your letter today, to examine what was said in relation to yourself & to apprise you of any thing that it might be proper for you to repel - if any thing of the kind shall be found in the testimony - You will however be the best judge - & if you see any thing wrong I would advise you to come down.

I shall make my speech on Thursday - and have always borne in mind the attempts made to disgrace. You & Mr. Howard & Mr. Hunt - and certainly shall not suffer the occasion to pass without doing justice to the motives & character of all of you - although I think you & Mr. Hunt were under a mistake as to the best mode of putting down that mob 
That however is a mere question of opinion on either side - & certainly is no reproach to any one. - I had intended to see you before I left Baltimore as I thought it likely your name would be used in the testimony. The badness of the weather the two last days I was in Town confined me to the house & prevented me from calling on you. - Excuse this slovenly letter for I write in much haste I am D Sir

very truly your friend R.B. TANEY

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