of the difficulties. - We trust that you will present it to the other parties and urge its adoption by them. - Please notify us of the action you take in this matter and of the views

Your brethren in Christ Love.

M C Lard
Wm. T. Withers -
L L Stockdell
Geo. W. Elley

Geo. W. Elley agrees to the statement above because he regards it as containing substantially the position assumed in the Maine speech Gov Elley

Lexington Ky June 18th 1872

R. M. Bishop, Jno. G. Allen & L. F. Smith
Cincinnati Ohio

Dear Brethren

Bro: Bishops letter of 28th ultimo was duly received, but owing to the absence of one of us, and other causes, we have not been able, until this morning, to meet together for its consideration. -

In our previous correspondence we have distinctly accepted your proposition to submit the matters at issue between the Main Street, Chinoh and the excluded persons to an Arbitration Committee. -

We have also unconditionally agreed that the Committee be organized as you propose. -

Whilst we have done this, we have declined, and still decline, to sign the paper you enclosed us, for reasons given in our previous correspondence. -

It is all important that there be