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Gentlemen, I had the honour to receive a Requisition, as mentioned in my Placard of yesterday, and have likewise had the honour to appear at Two Public Meetings of the Electors of your District. One of these called at my own request, was held in the Old Free Mason's Hall. At this meeting I explained my principles to the Gentlemen present, and apparently all were satisfied. I likewise attended another meeting, (called it now appears by the authority of the Town Council) in the City Free School, and I was proposed as a fit and proper person to represent the First District, and the proposition was seconded. At this meeting I underwent an examination; and there was reason to suppose, that my answers met the decided approbation of the majority present. Two other Gentlemen were proposed as Candidates. It was desirable that one Candidate alone should stand on the Liberal Interest : and accordingly an understanding existed, that a show of hands should be taken, and that the Candidate who should then appear to have the majority of Votes, should be the one exclusively supported by the Liberal Electors,-the others retiring in his favour. Instead of carrying out this understanding, so politic for the liberal party, and so reasonable in itself, a show of hands was declined, and an adjournment, as more in consonance with their interest, was carried by the other parties. Upon this proceeding it is not for me to comment; and I now throw myself upon the Electors to declare by the Poll, which of the Liberal Candidates meets their approbation: in full confidence, that the Electors of the First District will make no improper choice, I respectfully subscribe myself, Gentlemen.

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DISTRICT.

Your most obedient Servant, ALEXANDER GRANT,

15, Broughton Street, 21st Aug. 1835.