

Hallowell Nov. 8th 1820.

Hon. William King,
Gov. Sir,

I take the liberty to recom-
-mend Samuel Moody Esq. of this town, as
a suitable person for a member of the court of
Sessions of this County.

I some time since signed a paper recom-
-mending Wm. Clark Esq. as a proper person
to fill the office of Register of Probate. I did
not at that time know that Doct. Amos
Nourse would be a candidate for that office;
without therefore detracting from what I have
said of Mr. Clark, I wish to have it distinctly
understood, that I have a strong & decided
preference for Doct. Nourse over Mr. Clark
and all other candidates. An intimate ac-
-quaintance of many years has given me such
an opinion of his talents, integrity, industry &
gravity of manners, that I know of no man
whosoever whom I should think better qual-
-ified to discharge the duties of that office, and

I believe that his appointment would be quite as acceptable to the County, as that of any candidate whom I have heard named.

I ought however to remark that as Doct. Nourse is my intimate personal friend, it is possible, that my judgment may be too much influenced by my wishes.

In order that Mr. Clark & his friends may be under no mistake, I shall give him unequivocally to understand, that my preference is for Doct. Nourse, and that my recommendation of himself is only secondary, and is intended to have no effect, but in the event of Doct. Nourse's appointment's becoming impracticable.

I am with sentiments
of the deepest respect
Yours - Sir
P. Sprague

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Asst. Probate
Recorder -

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Wm. William King -

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