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Dear Sir

I have recd letters from Miss.r Davis Channing Webster Hunt & Cleaveland on the subject of the Soc.y. They recommend the adoption of the name of Geol. Soc.y. which upon the whole I think best and if you [illegible] it can be so fixed — Mr D declines being President on account of his engagements &c — The others accept & are well pleased. I will forward to you their letters by some private opp.y — I had forwarded no letters South of N H. & from Quincy Gorham & Ritchie I have no return.

It remains for us to take some measures immediately which may be 1st to communicate to the members in nominated their appointment. 2d to fix a time & place of choosing a president & holding the first meeting (which I would suggest to be at New Haven the day before Commencement.) members absent to vote by proxy for officers — 3d To draw up the rules. S & G being a committee for the same. 4th to get a charter from some state. 5th The final residence of the Society to be fixed as circumstances should determine