

Should be granted to one, and denied to the other. That the Legislature
affects the power of the Governor in the particular, to be authorized as a measure,
may be gathered from its action during the last session, when by a solemn
vote it refused to allow of a reduction of the fare for passengers to the
encampment at Baltimore.

I am, Gentlemen,

Most Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Wm. L. LeGrand

Messrs, Mr. H. Taylor
J. P. Barnes
Geo. F. Miles
Mr. Shanes
Mr. B. Boyd } Committee on
Redulph of
City Guards

State Department

Annapolis Sept 23rd 1842.

Gentlemen:

I am requested by his Excellency Governor Thomas, to state in reply
to yours of the 8th ultimo, that he has given to it the consideration its
importance demanded, and that he has come to the conclusion that
it would be inexpedient for him to grant its request.

In his opinion, the act of Assembly which you quote, designed
merely to invest him with the power to temporarily reduce the fare to
meet some sudden emergency, but not to change the whole policy of the
Legislation of the State in reference to the road. It is true that the language
is sufficiently comprehensive to enable him to do so until the meeting of the
Legislature, but in his judgment, the Legislature in conferring the power ex-
pected to exercise to be limited to temporary purposes.

These being his views of the matter, he prefers submitting the
entire question to the Legislature at its next session, when, doubtless such disposi-
tion will be made of it as will be conducive to the interests of all concerned.

I am, gentlemen,

Very Respectfully Yours

Wm. L. LeGrand

Messrs. Mr. Robinson, Henry D. Bird
& Jos. H. Coates }

State Department

Annapolis Nov 1842

Sir:

I have the honor, in compliance with the direction of His Excellency
the Governor of Maryland, to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 14th ultimo on
the subject of the overdue dividends upon the Maryland bonds, and to say
in reply thereto, that sympathizing as he does with the holders of Maryland
securities, he has nevertheless no power to remove the evil complained of.