

cond place from the consideration that the State armories were not in a fit condition for their reception, to say nothing of the delay and cost of unpacking and re-packing the same.

In furtherance of our object, we procured the services of H. C. Hicks, Esq., to act as Agent to inspect the arms and see that they conformed and were equal to the samples furnished and to forward them under orders received from the Adjutant General to the different Military companies throughout the State and to pay the cost of transportation. For these services he was to receive the sum of \$500.

The warehouse of Woolford & Patterson had been selected as a proper depository for the arms. From this place I continued to distribute them by forwarding from time to time, orders on the agent in favor of the different Military companies throughout the State up to the 19th of April last, when during the excitement in Baltimore, I learn from the agent aforesaid, that the place of deposit was forcibly entered and the arms, &c., remaining undistributed taken violent possession of and borne off—there were at the time 370 Infantry arms and accoutrements and sixteen Cavalry arms and accoutrements. I have not as yet been able to ascertain in whose possession the arms, &c., are.

Enclosed I send you a statement of the arms, &c., distributed, with the names of the companies and counties—paper marked No. 1 contains an account of the Infantry arms and paper marked No. 2. of the Cavalry arms distributed.

In haste I remain, sir,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

N. BREWER, of Jno.,

Adj. Gen. of Md.

COLT'S PATENT, F. A. M. Co.,
Harford, Conn., 12th May, '60.

To HIS EXCELLENCY,

Governor HICKS,

Annapolis, Maryland.

SIR:—By request I sent to-day per Express, to your ad-