

fles, say one hundred, to hand the men as they pass, they being instructed by you to preserve them carefully for return to the Government Armory, when the excitement has passed. Enforce discretion upon the men, stating that this is merely precautionary, and that we expect no serious use of them will be necessary. Instruct them to leave guns at Martinsburg going west, and Monocacy east, on each trip, to prevent unnecessary excitement.

W. P. SMITH.

Harper's Ferry, October 19th, 1859.

A. Diffeey,
Martinsburg.

It is reported to me that the Tonnage train men on the front engine, last night, bound East, fired on the Guard at Sandy Hook. Please notify them that there will be a guard from the East end of the Bridge, to Water Station at Sandy Hook, nightly, until further notice.

A. P. SHUTT.

Baltimore, October 19, 1859—10.30 P. M.

J Donohoo,
Harper's Ferry.

What are the facts about alleged disturbances at Sandy Hook to-night?

Has any house been fired, or person killed? Have any of our trains or men been molested?

Give me full advices at once. I await in telegraph office. Are Marines guarding our bridge?

W. P. SMITH.

Harper's Ferry, October 19th, 1859—11.15 P. M.

To W. P. Smith.

A messenger came to town about 9 o'clock, bringing the information that a lot of the lawless band was in Maryland, and murdering the citizens. There has been no further trouble here. Cannot say how long we will have peace.

JOHN DONOHOO.