

Brown's trial and that of his associates. Is it not necessary to keep a Government force upon the spot? Pray advise me immediately.

JOHN W. GARRETT,
Pres't B. & O. R. R. Co.

Baltimore, 26 October, 1859.

Alfred M. Barbour, U. S. Superintendent,

Harper's Ferry :

Have you notified Col. John Thos. Gibson, 55th Regiment? I am satisfied that Gov. Wise will thank you for prompt action in procuring the service of an abundant military force from Virginia. What force from Baltimore do you consider requisite?

J. W. GARRETT, Pres't.

Baltimore, Oct. 26th, 1859.

His Excellency,

Henry A. Wise, Richmond, Va. :

I have heard this moment from the U. S. Superintendent at Harper's Ferry by telegraph that the gravest apprehensions are entertained that an attempt will be made to rescue Brown, and that fears are also entertained that the Government property at Harper's Ferry may be again plundered. There are no U. S. marines at Harper's Ferry. I advise you of this that you may take such measures as you may deem necessary.

JOHN W. GARRETT,
Pres't B. & O. R. R. Co.

Baltimore, 26th Oct., 1859.

His Excellency,

James Buchanan :

Alfred M. Barbour, U. S. Superintendent at Harper's Ferry, has advised me by telegraph of his fear of an armed attempt to rescue Brown, and also of his apprehension that property at Harper's Ferry would be put in danger. I have telegraphed the Secretary of War, and asked if any force was to be sent this evening, as the danger apprehended from an attack of outlaws was immediate. In the fear that he might not