work and road bed is ours as well as the bridge, and we can forbid any nuisance of whatever sort. I think this pike trade only adds to the excitement, and it is certainly against our rules to allow any peddling there. Give the Virginia authorities every possible attention and facility in all things, merely keeping an account of service rendered by the Company, and returning it to me. A car-load of provisions will be sent up on special train tomorrow. Ask the Col. who went up to-day, whether he wants the car taken to Charlestown. It was ordered by Gov. Wise, through him.

W. P. SMITH.

Baltimore, November 20, 1859.

Col. J. L. Davis,

Charlestown:

I cheerfully comply with your request, and send you with this, an order by telegraph which Mr. Post can use, by showing to any conductors or Agents.

W. P. SMITH.

Baltimore, Nov. 20th, 1859-6, P. M.

Conductors of all trains, passenger or tonnage, will pass James Post, the bearer of this dispatch, until December 1st, free of charge, and give him every faciltiy and attention possible in furthering his important objects.

W. P. SMITH.
Master of Transportation.

Baltimore, November 21st, 1859—7 A. M. Hon. Thos. Holliday Hicks,

Governor of Maryland,

Annapolis.

Sir.—The President of this Company desires me to advise you at the earliest moment, that the various indications and rumors, relative to the proposed rescue of the State prisoners at Charlestown, has induced the Governor of Virginia to assemble a force of more than one thousand armed volunteers in that vicinity, as a measure of precaution; and that in view of the continued alarm among the residents of our State, op-