

August 18th 1841

Surrender of a fugitive Governor surrendered George W. Henderson a fugitive from Justice from the State of Virginia on the demand of the Governor of that State.

The Governor having received a communication from the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States in reference to a certificate of the State of Maryland Five per cent stocks, addressed to him the following answer—

Correspondence

Annapolis, August 21st 1841

with the Treas I have received your letter of the 11th inst, respecting the certificate of 5 per cent U.S. about stocks held by the Treasury of the United States.

a certificate This stock is redeemable at the pleasure of the State, and until redemption of Marylanded, the interest is payable in specie or its equivalent. The holder is under no obligation 5 per cent to receive the principal in other funds. He has the option to receive immediate payment Stock held in bank notes, or to retain his certificate and receive the interest in specie. The stocks will by the U.S. continue to bear interest till the holder chooses to receive the principal in the funds offered by the Commissioner of Loans, or till payment is offered in specie or its equivalent. The payment of the principal may be postponed indefinitely without violating the faith of the State. As regards to the stock-holder, the choice of receiving immediate payments in a currency only two per cent below the value of specie, is to give them the advantage of receiving the amount in other stocks of the State now selling considerably below par, or of making it available in any other mode that might be preferred.

The stock-holders have no reason to complain of the offer of immediate payments in bank-notes; because, if they do not choose to avail themselves of it, they are still left in possession of their original rights. They may continue to receive their interest in specie, until it is the pleasure of the State to redeem the principal according to the terms of the loan.

There is no law of the State which authorizes the Treasurer, Commissioner of Loans, or the Executive to purchase specie for the redemption of ^{the} stocks; and if the Treasury Department has no authority to receive the principal in the mode proposed by the Commissioner of Loans, or to invest it in other stocks of the State, the only alternative will be to retain the certificate in your possession, or dispose of it, as if no offer of payment had been made.

Wm. Thomas Ewing

Secretary Treasury U.S.

I am very respectfully

your obedient servant

Wm. Grayson

August 30th 1841

Surrender of a fugitive Governor surrendered Michael Goodsmith a fugitive from Justice, upon the demand of the Governor of Virginia, to Henry Hiden the agent appointed to take charge of him.

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Remission of fines Governor remitted the fine of twenty dollars in two several cases imposed on Gustavus Atcherson by P. George's County Court at August Term 1841, on the recommendation of Honble Clement Dorsey—