

Treasury Department,
January 6th. 1853.

Sir:

At the last session of Congress, an appropriation was made to purchase an addition to the present Custom House at Baltimore, and in conformity with this authority, this Department has entered into an agreement to purchase part of the property adjoining said Custom House.

By the Joint Resolution of Congress, approved September 11th. 1841, it is required, that the consent of the State in which the property may be, shall be given to the purchase, before the purchase-money can be paid, and I would therefore respectfully request that you will bring this subject to the attention of the Legislature of Maryland, that the necessary law on the subject may be passed, and would also suggest, in order to obviate the necessity of special applications in each particular case, that a general statute in relation to the matter would be enacted.

The Department is anxious to complete the purchase alluded to, but cannot do so, until the consent of the Legislature of Maryland is obtained.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servt.

Wm. L. Hodge

Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

Hon. E. Louis Lowe,
Governor of the State of Maryland,
Annapolis, Maryland "

January 21st.

The Governor directed a notice of an application for the pardon of John Lee, negro, convicted of the crime of larceny, at November Term 1852, of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, to be published in the "Rockville Journal"; notice to expire, February 5th. proximo.

21st.

The Governor issued the following Requisition:

State of Maryland, To wit:

Inock Louis Lowe, Governor of the State of Maryland,

to His Excellency, the Governor of Pennsylvania:

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