

remainder if any disposed of. You can either retain in your hands the amount of the expence you may have been at in forwarding the Stores to Frederick and what you may judge a sufficient compensation for your trouble and transmit us the balance. or if the whole sum is sent together with your account we can have the money drawn and sent to you. But in either way we wish that it may be speedily settled.

Colonel John Stricker
Baltimore Town

We are and forth
J. H. Stone

In Council Annapolis October 21. 1796

Sir,

It has been stated to us by many respectable Gentlemen that doubts are entertained throughout the State as to the construction of the Act passed at the last Session to alter the mode of electing Electors to choose the President and Vice President of the United States (Chapter 53)

The doubt is (under the second and third Clause) whether the election must be closed the first day or may be continued during four days as other Elections are.

Although the consideration of this subject may not officially come before us we think it proper in order to prevent the confusion which might arise from different constructions being given to the Law in different Counties to request your opinion on the construction of the Law, which when communicated will have the effect of producing an uniformity in the conduct of the Elections in every part of the State.

Luther Martin Esq.
Baltimore Town

We are and forth
J. H. Stone

In Council Annapolis October 24. 1796

Sir,

We have not received from you the Return of the Election of a Member of Congress for the District of which we