

Dear Sir,

Council Chamber

Annapolis May 30 1836

In compliance with a Resolution of the General Assembly of this State, I transmit herewith, to your Excellency, a copy of the Laws passed at the last December Session.

A separate copy of the above with a copy of the Laws referred to is directed to the Governors of the respective States.

I have the honor to be, with due respect, your Excellency's ob. Servt.
Thos. Callrett Clerk
of the Council

Dear Sir,

Council Chamber

Annapolis June 6 1836

Finding some difficulty in making the blanks you sent me regular for the intended purpose, and wishing to consult you on a matter of some importance in principle, though perhaps of not much consequence in regard to the law, I have made out the necessary papers, and enclose them for your signature.

I find in all the cases that have ever come under my notice, and in ordering the delivery of fugitives, the court has been required to pay the expenses of arrest, imprisonment &c. But I incline to think that in this case such a requisition would not be proper. In all the cases I have examined, the fugitives were (if arrested and imprisoned previous to demand) imprisoned upon a charge of the identical offence for which they were demanded. In such cases the propriety of requiring payment of charges and fees is obvious. It appears to me, otherwise, where the fugitive has been imprisoned for a different offence committed at the State where he is arrested.

If you should agree with me in these views of the subject, the papers sent me complete for your signature, if you think otherwise, and that the fees and charges in this case should be paid by the Agent, you can add to the order to the Sheriff "he the said Benjamin S. Callrett will pay all costs of the arrest, commitment and imprisonment of the said fugitive?"

You can either return the papers to me, or, what perhaps will be best, enclose them directly to the Sheriff of Baltimore.

I shall write immediately to His Excellency Governor Clinton, informing him that the prisoner is ready to be delivered to the Agent.

I have time only to add, that I handed the notice of the meeting of the Trustees of the University to Mr. Hughes, and that he said it would appear tomorrow.

I remain with the highest respect your ob. Servt.

Thos. Callrett

His Excellency Joseph Kent
Bladensburg.