

is 1/4 of one per cent upon the par of the Stock - For example the Stock which would produce an interest of \$15 would be \$250 and the tax upon this amount is $\frac{625}{100}$ so that he should deduct from the \$16 of Coupons or Certificates $\frac{625}{100}$ instead of \$2 $\frac{25}{100}$ the amount deducted by him in the scale published.

If I am right in this the notice should be altered & I shall expect to hear from you upon the subject mentioned by return mail.

Yours L. C. L. D.

Thos. G. Pratt

State Department

November 24th 1845

To The Senators &
Members of Congress

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit to you Resolutions of the Legislature of Maryland urging upon Congress the propriety of making an appropriation for the improvement of the Harbour of Havre De Grace, and to request that you will present the subject to the consideration of Congress.

Thos. G. Pratt

Annapolis December 6th 1845

Dr. Sir

I enclose you the opinion of the Attorney for the Balt. & Ohio Rail Road Co in reference to the right of the State to tax the Shares & property of that Co. - Be pleased to examine the 18th Section of the Act of 1826 Ch. 123d with me your opinion upon the subject. I think it probable that the Stock is exempt, but that the property is liable to taxation. If you & the Pres. of the Co. is willing to have the question tested at once & if you differ with the Attorney of the Co. you can have the question embraced in the Court Case & referred to this at once or you? Thos. G. Pratt

Geo. W. Richardson

The Genl. State of Maryland

This day 14th Leithman Esq.

Dr. Sir

State Department

Annapolis Decr 12th 1845

I have received your favour of

the 9th inst. announcing the melancholy intelligence of the death of Col. Pitt & informing me that his executors have determined early to complete the settlement of the estate tax which has been collected by him.

I have been so engag'd as to be deprived of an opportunity of examining the law bearing on the subject, but my impression is that his Executor will be obliged to