

Executive Department March 16th 1847

Sir,

As requested in your favor of the 12th inst. I now enclose you an authenticated copy of the law passed at the last session of the Legislature of Maryland Supplemental to the act of 1837 ch 173 providing for the instruction of indigent blind persons inhabitants of this State.

From the phrasing of this act I entertain some doubt whether its provisions extend to persons already pupils in your institution, but I will submit the act to the Attorney General & if I shall be authorized to extend the term in the case of the two pupils mentioned in your other letter of the 12th inst. I shall have pleasure in forwarding the required authority to you.

J. A. Vaughan Esq

With great respect
Your obedient servant
Thos. G. Pratt

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Sr. Sir

I handed to the Treasurer your check for \$1300 received in your letter of the 13th inst, which is credited on the treasury Book to the acct. of Messrs.

Bennett Cannon & Co. Auctioneers. ^{in Mr. John B. Cannon} The License issued, was irregularly granted as he had not been commissioned as provided for by the 2nd Sect. of the Act of 1827 ch 111 - By an Act passed at the last session of the Legislature the Governor is prohibited from nominating to the Senate for reappointment, any Auctioneer who has not fully settled with the treasury & the Auctioneer applying for reappointment is required to furnish the Gov with the certificate of the Treasurer that he has settled his acct. with the State. In consequence of this provision I could not nominate Mr. Cannon as the firm in which he had been a partner had not settled their acct.

I will however now issue a commission to Mr. Cannon provided you will say that the balance of Bennett Cannon & Co. shall be paid.

Respectfully
Thos. G. Pratt

To
Jas. Glenn Esq
Att. for J. B. Cannon