

Et. Department

April 3<sup>o</sup> 1847

Sir

I have received your favour of the 2<sup>d</sup> inst. informing me that you claim your proportion of the sum of \$300 directed by the resolution of the last Legislature to be paid to the Commissioners of the Public Buildings.

It is my duty to inform you that Messrs Brewer & Casner claim the whole amount as justly due to them predicated upon the fact (alleged by them) that you refused to discharge the duties of Commissioners & that the entire duties were performed by them & that it is granted that you deny the truth of their statement as you claim a full proportion of the compensation & I will therefore you to furnish me with your statement of the facts & the proof that you acted as Commissioners,

Wm. G. Pratt

D. J. Caldwell Esq.

Et. Department

Annapolis April 30<sup>th</sup> 1847

Sir,

You will upon the receipt of this order address communications to Major Genl. J. Spear Smith, Col. Aickman, Col. M. L. Jenkins, Major Wm. B. Claiborne and Capt. R. A. Kirkwood this when the services of Companies were referred to this Department, to see as to what time said Companies can rendezvous at Baltimore to be mustered into the service of the United States.

You will forward to each of the Officers to whom your communications are addressed a copy of the requisition of the President, of the 19<sup>th</sup> April 1847 calling upon the State of Maryland for two companies of Volunteers, and you will report to me, at as early a day as possible

Thomas G. Pratt

Col. of Maryland

To

Wm. M. Patton

Adj. Genl.

M. M.

State Department,

May 18<sup>th</sup> 1847

Sir

You are hereby directed to proceed to the City of Baltimore, & ascertain (by consultation with Genl. Smith & Col. Aickman through whom certain Companies were proffered to serve in the War with Mexico) at what time those Companies will be prepared to be mustered into the service of the United States, with the number of Men & specified in the requisition of the President & you will without delay discharge the duty above assigned you, & report to me at Barnum's Hotel in the City of Baltimore on the 20<sup>th</sup> inst. at 10 o'clock

Thos. G. Pratt

Col. & Comd. in Chief

M. M.

To

Geo. N. Matthews

Adj. Genl. M. M.