

his hands — He desires no exclusive privilege whatever.

I am sure when you come to hear from Dr Wyatt you will agree with me in the opinion that he designs to do only what he considers just and proper towards all.

I am in great haste, Your friend,
James M. Buchanan
By His Excellency,
E. Louis Lowe,
Gov. of Maryland.

Maryland Penitentiary }
Baltimore, October 21st 1857 ~ }

From the Board of Directors of Md. Pen. }
To His Excellency, E. Louis Lowe Esq., }
Governor of Maryland }
Dear Sir,

As I have been instructed by a resolution of the Board of Directors, adopted at their meeting of the 16th inst. to communicate to your Excellency the official denial of the President of our Board (Mr Lucas) of the truth of the assertion made by Doctor Wyatt, viz: that Mr Lucas had observed to him that, after the conversation held between him and the Rev^d D. Wyatt in June or July last, "none but Catholic Priests should be admitted into the Penitentiary", I deem it the best way of carrying out the instructions of the Board, by quoting the following paragraph from the report of the Monthly Committee, of which Mr Lucas was Chairman to the Board at its last meeting:

"As the Governor, in his communication to you, has been pleased to refer to a conversation held, some time since, between Dr Wyatt and the Chairman of the present Monthly Committee, your President, he takes this occasion, in his estimation the proper one, to place upon record his most unequivocal denial of ever having threatened to exclude Dr Wyatt from the Penitentiary, or intimated, at any time, that thereafter none but Catholic Priests should be admitted," and desires that your Board, in its capacity, would order this his assertion to be communicated to the Executive, in order that he may stand "rectus in scuria", where his course in this matter will most likely be seriously canvassed."

Having thus carried out the instructions of the Board, I will close by subscribing myself.

Your Excellency's
Very obedient servant
Barzillai Marriott
Secy to the Board.