

I will transmit to him by return mail an order on the comptroller. Enclosed you will find my order for one hundred dollars, in pursuance of the arrangement entered into, in our first correspondence. Had not the House given an expression of opinion as to the compensation, & then failed to provide for the appointment of a commissioner, at all, I would have felt free to estimate your valuable services at a much higher rate, as they richly deserve to be.

With great respect &  
regards  
Yr. Obedt. Servt.

E. Louis Lowe.

Annapolis,  
June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1832.

Thomas Stewart, Esq.,  
Pres't - B. & O. R. R. Co.

My dear Sir:

Letter of  
the Governor  
to the Pres't  
of the B. &  
O. R. R.  
relating  
to partic-  
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the open-  
ing of the  
Road, to  
Fairmount  
on account  
of domestic  
affliction

The very recent death of one of my children, the sickness, at this time, of another, and the delicate state of Mrs. Lowe's health, combine to prevent me from accepting the very kind invitation of your Board, to accompany them on Monday next, to the Monongahela. It is, I beg leave sincerely to assure you, a source of much disappointment to me, as I felt a great anxiety to examine the wonderful work, which, by your zeal and energy, you are so rapidly bringing to a fortunate completion. But, even the painful events and circumstances, to which I have alluded, I had no control, and must be satisfied to submit to all their consequences.

Please communicate the contents of this letter to the Board.

With great respect  
Yr. Obedt. Servt.

E. Louis Lowe