

and Mr. Stanley went after an officer. He also testifies that he and Mr. Stanley went to a chamber, where you were found (it being on Sunday the 11th Dec.) and gave you information of the Governor's proclamation, of the fact that the accused was then at the Broad Street House, and that Mr. Sewener had told them of it and desired you to come down and arrest him.

It is perfectly manifest that from the whole testimony in the case, that had it not been for the active intereference of Mr. Sewener no arrest would have been made. Yet, on the other hand, it is equally clear that Mr. Sewener did not comply literally with the condition of the proclamation by making the arrest himself.

The Governor has therefore determined that it would not be equitable (nor in accordance with the spirit of the proclamation itself) to give you the whole reward upon the technical ground that you made the arrest. Such rewards are intended to secure the arrest of the fugitive by interesting third parties therein; and those who are immediately connected with the arrest, as Mr. Sewener was, are entitled to their fair proportion of the reward. The Governor allows you one hundred dollars and Mr. Sewener the other hundred. You will find enclosed an Executive Order on the Comptroller of this State for that amount, by endorsing which you can have it collected through one of the Banks of your City, which will send it on to the Farmers Bank of Maryland, at this place, for that purpose. It must be so endorsed by the Bank at Richmond as to be made payable to the Cashier of the Bank here; because upon this order, the Comptroller issues his warrant on the Treasurer in favor of the holder of the order; and if the order is not made payable to the Cashier here, the warrant would also have to be sent to Richmond for endorsement which would occasion unnecessary delay.

You will sign the enclosed receipt and transmit it to me by return mail, before the order is sent on for payment.

I am, Very respectfully,  
Your Obedt. Servt.  
John Randolph Sumner

A Copy of the foregoing was also sent to John H. Sewener Esq. Baltimore accompanying the following