

Executive Department
Annapolis Md
December 29th 1853

Wm H. Severa Esq:

Sir:

By direction of the Governor, I herewith enclose to you a copy of a letter addressed by me to Mr. Spring communicating his decision in regard to the reward for the apprehension of the fugitive. I also send you an Executive Order for One hundred Dollars, the proportion awarded to you.

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

I am Very Respectfully
Yrs. Obedt. Servt
John Randolph Pinn
Secretary of State

Office Ches & Ohio Canal Co
Washington Dec. 19th 1853.

Sir

I have received your letter of the 15th inst. addressed to the President of the Company, who is now absent, but informed me, within a few days since, that he intended to make a communication to the Governor in relation to the Canal, and will, I presume, have done so; but, as he will be in possession of the data to give all the information which you have desired,

I herewith communicate for the information of the Governor, the following statement of the business of the Company for the year ending the 31st December 1853.

The tolls from the 1 st of January to the 30 th of Nov 1853. amount to	\$132,334.17
Estimated for December	12,665.83
	\$145,000.00

Rents of Water power, houses & lands &c about	5,000.00
Total revenues for 1853. will be about	\$150,000.00

The current expenses of the year exclusive of interest payable on coupon bonds issued for repairs and for completion of the Canal, in pairs amounting for the year to (\$110,000) will probably amount as follows for improvements, repairs