from upon which the Governor has Acted upon grave & the
subject pleadings to a Colloquial Contained in the Cite be-
fore & the Comptroller, viewing reference to the claim of
the State from the U.S. & the Circuit Court for Carroll
County.

The Second Article is in reply that he has
examined the books & the Comptroller & found that
the said Oliver has failed to make his last semi-annual
return & has also failed to pay into the Treasury the sum
collected on his bonds upon his three semi-annual returns as
stated in the report of the Comptroller. The Governor also
on this section the books appears that the Comptroller
on his behalf & the duty required of him by the Act of 1852
ch 50 Sec 7, directed him to the State Attorney of the County
to institute suit upon his bond. This direction to bring suit
seems to have been repeatedly given & in the most unqualified & peremptory terms. Under these circumstances the
Governor is of opinion that your forbearing to institute le-
gal proceedings as directed was unjustifiable & that un-
less the matter shall be settled by payment of the debt
to which you refer he will be constrained to take such
action in the premises as may be warranted by the Con-
stitution for the purpose of Coercing the early settlement
of these claims of the State.

Yr Obt. Svr.
Nathaniel Cox
Secretary of State

State of Maryland
Office of the Secretary of State
Annapolis March 29th 1855

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Governor has
assigned you as One of Counsel to aid in the prosecution
of One Wm Morgan indicted at the October Term of
the Circuit Court for Frederick County on a charge of
having enticed away certain Slaves & at the instance of
said Morgan removed to Carroll County for trial.
You will
please notify him forthwith whether you accept or decline

Yr Obt. Svr.
Nathaniel Cox
Secretary of State

H. Buchell

Note a similar letter was addressed to J. M. Pulsen Esq

Copy of H. B. Buchell accepts Oct. 10th 1855 as per letter from J. M. Pulsen dated Mar 29th