

County; and you may rely on all aid from myself in maintaining the authority and supremacy of the law.

You will be good enough to acquaint me with the precautions and measures you may have taken to this end as before as since the receipt of this communication.

I am Sir

Your obed^t. Servant
Thos. H. Hicks
Governor of Maryland

By the Governor
J. R. Partridge
Secretary of State.

State of Maryland

Executive Department
Annapolis Oct. 28th 1859

To Maj Gen. Stewart. U. S.

Sir

In examining record this morning. I find either neglect to acknowledge receipt of your last full and satisfactory report made in regard to troubles at Harpers Ferry; or if response was made, then failure to retain copy for record; in either event. no wrong can be done by saying, perhaps repeating, that your orders given and proceedings generally on that occasion, met my entire approbation, and is now fully endorsed by me; trusting that Fanaticism, Madness, may never again require of yourself and those in your command similar efforts, and with my thanks to you, and those good and true officers & soldiers under command, for prompt action and manifest decision, in favour of Law and order. And as ever

Your obed^t. Servant

Thos. H. Hicks

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J. W. Cole, Brig. Genl. M. M.

Sir

Having learned by private communication entirely reliable as I consider that one of the Volunteer Companies in your command, had been ordered to the Maryland border adjacent to Harpers Ferry where fears of an outbreak by Northern Fanatics and their allies, were entertained.