

Letter from the Commissioners of Lotteries, to Messrs. S. Scribner & Co.

Office of the Commissioners of Lotteries, }
Baltimore January 13th, 1835. }

Messrs. S. Scribner, & Co.

Gentlemen:—

A report has reached us that some dealers, in violation of law, have practiced dividing in some way, tickets, so as to dispose of shares less than are sanctioned by us, and of course without the signature of any one of us. We respectfully request that you make (as the Agents of the contractors) will make enquiry into this matter, and especially that you will inform all dealers that every such act, should such be committed, will upon detection be visited with the utmost rigour of the law.

Very respectfully your obedient servants.

WM. R. STEUART,

E. HUGHES.

J. S. WILLIAMS.

Answer to the Commissioners' Letter.

Baltimore, January 13th, 1835.

Gentlemen:—

Your note of this day setting forth that a flying report had reached you, that the lottery dealers had subdivided tickets in violation of law, so as to sell shares less than is sanctioned by yourselves, is before us.

We assure you, that we know of no such violation of law—and further, that if any such sharing had been practiced, it must have been discovered by us. We therefore state with confidence that the report is utterly false.

We will, however, inform all the dealers that any such violation (if discovered) will be visited with the utmost rigour of the law—we further assure you that should any violations of the lottery regulations come within our knowledge, we will advise you of it without delay that the dealers may all be protected in the exercise of their general privileges.

With great respect, we have the honour to be

Your obedient servant,

S. SCRIBNER & CO.

Agents for Y. and McL.

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