

TREASURY,  
ANNAPOLIS, October 16th, 1844.

SIR:—From the books of the Treasury it appears that on the 1st January last, there was of the 6 months interest, on the Sterling debt of the State, payable in London on the first of January, 1842, due a balance of \$49,604.01; if to this be added, 10 per cent. on account of difference of Exchange, which I find was the rate on the last payments and commission 1 per cent. it would make the sum then required to pay the balance \$54,564.41.

In April last there was advanced on this amount \$27,000, leaving a balance, if my estimate for Exchange and Commission be correct of \$27,564.41, for which amount, as I am anxious to have the claim of the Messrs. Baring, for advance and commission paid as early as practicable, you will be pleased draw on the Treasury.

If my estimate for Exchange and Commission be erroneous, you will be pleased notify me, and it shall be corrected.

Very respectfully yours,

D. CLAUDE,

*Treasurer, Md.*

JNO. S. GITTINGS, Esq.,

*Commissioner of Loans, Baltimore.*

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MARYLAND LOAN OFFICE, CHESAPEAKE BANK,  
Baltimore, October 19th, 1844.

SIR:—Not being able to agree with you exactly, in your estimate of the amount required to pay the balance in London on account of advance and commission. I enclose a statement which gives the amounts in dollars which would go to London for payment on the 1st January 1842, with the commission added, the actual cost of the bills already remitted, and the balance estimated at 10 per cent; and also the sterling coupons paid here, allowing the same exchange as was paid for the £10,000, viz: 13 p. ct.; it also shews the amount received from your office, and the amount paid by the Commissioner for these bills already remitted, with £91, yet to go, the amount by the statement required to pay the balance, estimating exchange at 10 per cent. is \$27,957.55.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. CHAMBERLAINE, Jun.

D. CLAUDE, Esq.,

*Treasurer, Maryland,*