

all parties concerned, I am directed to suggest that an order may be issued to the force subject to the orders of the Board, specifying distinctly, that the provisions of the original instructions do not apply to Officers, Enlisted men or any others serving in or attached to the Army of the United States, and that these Head Quarters may be furnished a copy thereof. The object of the Department Commander is to claim and insure free passage through the streets of Baltimore, at all times, to the recognized agents of the Government. This will be handed you by Brevet Major Stacey A.D.C. by whom an answer in favor of you is solicited.

Very Respectfully, Sir,  
 Your Most Obedt. Servt.  
 J. H. Taylor  
 A. A. Genl.

To the above the Presd. of the Board handed Major Stacey this reply:

Office of the Board of Police Commissioners  
 for the City of Baltimore  
 Baltimore, October 21<sup>st</sup> 1867

Brevet Colonel J. H. Taylor,  
 Asst. Adj. General  
 Department of Washington,  
 Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have had the honor to receive your communication of October 19<sup>th</sup> 1867, by the hands of Brevet Major Stacey A.D.C. and have submitted the same to the Board of Police Commissioners for their consideration.

They direct me to say, in reply, that the order of October 18<sup>th</sup> 1867, was of course not intended to affect the undoubted rights of the Officers and men of the Army <sup>and Navy</sup> of the United States to have free passage at all times through the streets of the City of Baltimore and that they should have felt it their duty to make exception to that effect in their order if they had anticipated any construction to the