My dear Sir

Your last was written when I was at the Allegany Court, from whence I have come immediately to this Court now sitting, and has followed me here - I am glad to learn that the parties have received your in safety, about which I had felt some concern.

With respect to the proposition by the Annapolis Rail Road Co. to purchase a portion of the unsold State's stock, I some time since in answer to letters rec.d. from Mr. Pratt, Thos Rad.d and John Johnson Esq.r, stated the reasons governing me, in declining to join in the commissioners to accede to the proposition; to which I beg leave to refer you. My ~~[illegible]~~ objection to the letting them have the stock, proceeds from an feeling of hostility to that enterprise (for there is not in the State a more decided advocate

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