

STATE OF MARYLAND,

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,

*Frederick City*, April 27, 1861.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :*

I herewith transmit to your honorable body a copy of a correspondence between this department and the Sheriff of Frederick county.

The subject matter thereof being an incident of the peculiar condition of affairs which you are assembled to consider. I respectfully submit it for your action.

THOMAS H. HICKS.