

State Department  
Annapolis 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1848.

Sir,

I am in the receipt of your letter of the 2<sup>nd</sup> ult in reply to mine of the 25<sup>th</sup> May in which you state that the probable cost of necessary repairs, in order to put the Eastern Hay Scales in complete order, including scales, office and every thing attached thereto except gates will not exceed \$175.

You have my authority to proceed, with all convenient despatch in executing the necessary repairs confining yourself as far as possible within the above estimate.

I am very respectfully Yours &c.  
Philip F. Thomas.

Thomas Croft Esq  
Eastern Hay Scales

State Department  
Annapolis 5<sup>th</sup> June 1848.

Sir,

A copy of the official bond of John M. Barclain, collector of State taxes for the year 1843 in Allegany County, has I am informed now been received at the Treasury. Will you be good enough to examine and inform me at your earliest convenience, who are the sureties in that bond.

I am very respectfully your obt servant  
Philip F. Thomas.

Clerk of Allegany County Court.

The Governor addressed the following circular letter to the Attorney General and his several Deputies.

State Department  
Annapolis 5<sup>th</sup> June 1848.

Sir,

As the records of this Department do not furnish evidence, except in a few instances of the institution of suits upon the official bonds of Collectors of State Taxes, I will be obliged to you to inform me whether any claim for such taxes, has been placed in your hands for collection, and if so, what is its present condition and the prospect of its collections.

In case you have not represented the State from the year 1841. to the present time you will oblige me by ascertaining whether any such claim was received by your predecessor in office, and if so, acquaint me with its situation.

I am very respectfully  
Your obedient servant.  
Philip F. Thomas.