

Baltimore Dec. 7th 1849

His Excellency  
The Governor of Maryland  
Sir.

I have received, with due sensibility, I trust to the honor & responsibility of the appointment, my commission as Senator of the United States; and in notifying you that I shall promptly repair to the seat of Government, I avail of the occasion to say that I shall endeavor to show my high appreciation of this distinguished mark of your confidence, by a diligent and loyal devotion to the interests of Maryland.

I have the honor to be, with sentiments of  
- deepest regard

your obedient servant  
(Signed) David Stewart.

State Department Annapolis 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1850

Sir. I regret to find myself obliged again to address you on the subject of your accounts as collecting the taxes in Kent County for the years 1847 and 1848.

In my circular letter of the 18th of June last you were informed that there was due from you up to the 1<sup>st</sup> of the preceding month of May for the taxes of 1847 \$2464.62 and for the taxes of 1848 \$7,671.25 exclusive of interest, and that unless these accounts were settled by the first day of August next thereafter, suits would be instituted on your official bonds. Your reply of the date of the 26th of June, stated that for certain reasons therein assigned, it had not been in your power to make collections, but that if suits were withheld until the 1<sup>st</sup> of September you would make such payment as would render unnecessary any legal proceedings. Under this assurance suits were not ordered upon your bonds, nor did it occur to me even to enquire whether your assurance had been performed. I am now pained to find that not one dollar has been paid by you since the 13th of March last, and it will hence, be my duty to place your accounts in the hands of the Deputy of the Attorney General for Kent County for suit at the Spring term of that County Court unless the necessity for this is obviated by prompt payment.

I am very respectfully

your obt. Servant

Philip F. Thomas

George W. Spencer Esquire }