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Dated at Phila July 29 1864.  
To His Ex A G Martin

Your dispatch received. The act of eighteen forty 1840 provides that whenever the funds accumulated in the Treasury shall be of less value than specie you shall cause the difference in value to be certified. That is the present case the act of Congress makes it lawful to pay in Treasury notes but not unlawful to pay in Gold & the legislature has directed the payment to be in specie or its equivalent

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& eighteen Sixty three 1863

Were both passed after the  
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To his Gov. A. G. Curtin

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W.M. Meredith



My dear Garrison

I do not think the  
reduction of the State Debt  
is clearly stated, as it now  
stands. Pray let me have  
a fight of the issue.

Always very truly

Yrs  
W. L. Gendron  
29 Jan. 1866  
27<sup>th</sup> P. M.

Genl. Curtis.

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