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My Dear Sir,

I received your letter this morning & hasten to answer it, lest relying on what Anne & Lizzy have told you, you should contradict the statement you mention. When I acted as Secretary of War, I was in office as Attorney General, & as I performed the duties of both offices, I received the salaries of both. I thought then & still think that it was right – for as the public received the benefit of my services in both offices and the duties of both were performed I do not see why I should not be paid for both. I did not receive the patriot, & gather the nature of the charge from your letter.

I wrote Anne a long letter yesterday which will let you know how I am getting on here. Tell your father I am much obliged to him for arranging my affair with the Bank of Baltimore. With much love to you all I am affectionately

R. B. Taney