

BALTIMORE, *Nov. 22d*, 1864.

STATEMENT OF MRS. LOUISA FOSTER :

Mr. Joshua C. Tolbert, who lives 3 miles below Towson-town, in Baltimore county, has kept my three children and refused to give them up to me, as he says he has bound them in the Orphans' Court. My husband is in the Union army. Mr. Tolbert owes me a year's wages, which he refuses to pay me. He took the children directly after the adoption of the Free Constitution. I appeal to the General Commanding to enable me to procure the wages due me, and get back my children from Mr. Tolbert, who threatened to chain me down to the floor and whip me, if I asked him for my children any more.

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LOUISA ~~X~~ FOSTER.

Witness :—WM. R. MERRILL.

Endorsed—“States Mr. Joshua C. Tolbert holds her 3 children and refuses to give them up. Also owes her one year's wages. Appeals to the General Commanding to aid her in procuring her children and what he owes her.”

ALEXANDRIA, VA., *Nov. 23d*, 1864.

MAJ. LEW WALLACE,

Mil. Gov. Middle Dep't Md.:

General :—Isabella Perry, colored, of this city, is anxious to obtain her little daughter, Julia Ann, who, she says, is confined in Maltby jail, on a charge of setting fire to the stable of her former owner. She says that her little girl was kept very closely, so that she was unable to get her; and that after her efforts had been made, and were ineffectual, the girl was induced by a colored woman, on a neighboring farm, to commit the deed.

If the girl can be consistently released and restored to her mother in this city, in my care, you will very much oblige.

Your ob't servant,

A. GLADWIN,

Sup't of Contrabands, Alex'a, Va.

Please address box 200, P. O.