

from the said gossamers of five hundred dollars each

John Stephen

Thomas H. Wilkinson

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Ordered, that the following communication from the Secretary of State of the United States to this Department, be published in the National Intelligencer, The Baltimore Patriot, The Baltimore American, The Federal Gazette of Baltimore, The Maryland Republican and The Maryland Gazette of Annapolis, and the two Papers in Eastern once a week for ~~six~~ successive weeks for the information of all the citizens of the State, who may be interested in the subject thereof

By Order

William Penhony Clerk of the Council

To His Excellency the Governor of Maryland

Sir,

Department of State March 22 1821

The question upon the construction of that part of the first article of the Treaty of Ghent, which stipulated that slaves should not be carried away from the United States by British Officers after the conclusion of the Peace, having been submitted, by the American and British Governments to the decision of the Emperor of Russia, the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has demanded that, in the event of a decision in favour of the construction insisted upon by the United States, the full extent of the demand upon Great Britain for restitution, or indemnity for slaves carried away, should be made known as speedily as possible: I am directed by The President to suggest that notice should be given to the sufferers, to transmit without delay to this Department, authenticated proof of the number of slaves carried away, and of their value, by the current prices at which they might have been sold at the time when the loss was sustained. Spec