

Claude & Jeremiah Hughes Commissioners for Superintending the collection of the
Mails around the State House Circle, or to their order from thousand dollars,
to be accounted for.

The following demand was made upon the Honorable William
Branch, Chief Justice of the Circuit Court for the District of Columbia for
the person therein named as a fugitive from Justice Viz

To the Honorable William Branch, Chief Justice of the Circuit
Court of the District of Columbia.

Whereas a certain William P. Stephens hath been charged
by the affidavit of Joseph Huston of the Town of Clear Spring in Washington
County in this State, with having on the night of the Instantly forcibly
entered the store of the said Joseph Huston in the Town and County aforesaid
and stolen therefrom two hundred and seventy five dollars of the money
of the said Joseph Huston, and with having fled from Justice and been
apprehended and committed to the Jail of Washington County in the District
of Columbia, charged with said offense. And it being important and
highly necessary that the perpetrators of such offenses should be brought to
Justice. — Now therefore, I Thomas W. Nease, Governor of the State of
Maryland, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and
Laws of the United States, do hereby demand the said William P. Stephens
as a fugitive from the Justice of this State, and make known to your Honor
that I have appointed Henry Thompson Esquire Messenger of the Executive
Council my agent to receive the said fugitive and bring him to this State,
having Jurisdiction of the said offense, that he may be brought to trial
therefor.

In compliance with the requisition of the Law, I herewith
arm and produce to your Honor a copy of the affidavit upon which
this demand is founded: which I certify is authentic.

Great
Secret

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the
State of Maryland this twenty seventh day of July in
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
thirty six, and of the Independence of the United States the
sixty first.

T. W. Nease

By the Governor
H. Cullbreth Clerk of the Council.

The following Commission and instruction was issued to the
aforesaid agent. Viz.

The State of Maryland, To Henry Thompson Esquire
Messenger of the Executive Council, Greeting. Be it known that reposing
great trust and confidence in your prudence and honesty, I Thomas W.
Nease, Governor of the State of Maryland have appointed you my agent