

Council Chamber, Annapolis April 23rd 1814

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt by this department of one copy of Syberts Statistical Annals, mentioned in your letter of the 18th of March last to have been transmitted in pursuance of a resolution of congress of the 23rd of January last. Three packages of the laws of congress have also been lately received.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Charles Goldsborough

To the Honble, John Quincy Adams
Secretary of State of the United States

Council Chamber Annapolis June 14th 1814

Sir

Your Excellency's letter of the 3rd Instant, relative to Jesse McCoy, was received three days ago on my arrival at this place from my residence in the County.

In reply I beg leave to inform you that the demand made by the Governor of Virginia of the delivery of McCoy as a fugitive from Justice has never been transmitted to this department; but appears, from Col. Stewart's letter, to have been retained in his possession, to save trouble and expense, until he could ascertain whether McCoy was still in custody.

Of course no communication upon the subject was made to the Governor of your State. But Col. Stewart was apprised of the situation of McCoy here; and to prevent his immediate discharge in case of acquittal, the Chief Judge of the Court then in session, and before which the Indictment against him was pending, was informed of the expected demand from the Executive of Virginia, and the Clerk of the Council was directed to inform Col. Stewart of the result of his trial as soon as it should take place. I presume that the ground on which McCoy was indicted

here for an offence committed in the State of Virginia was, that a person stealing goods in one County or State, and carrying them with him into another is deemed in law equally guilty of a felony in the latter place. This however is a question for the Court and the Lawyers. It has happened unfortunately that the Trial of McCoy did not take place at the last term of the Court, as it was expected to have done; and he yet remains in custody in the Goal of this place.