

Entitled "An Acting vesting certain Powers in the President of the United States" My absence from the seat of government has unavoidably occasioned a short delay in answering your letter.

I have the honour to be &c.

The Honourable

William H. Crawford

Samuel Sprigg

Council Chamber Annapolis February 23 1800

Sir

I have the honour to enclose to your Excellency, the affidavit of Peter Schneckly, of Washington County, in this State taken before I subscribe a Justice of the Peace of the said County, charging a certain William Flemming with stealing a dark bay mare, the property of John Schneckly, and it appears that the said William Flemming has fled from the justice of the State of Maryland into the State of Ohio, and now resides near the Town of Somerset in said State. - I have to request that your Excellency will be pleased with all convenient dispatch, to cause the arrestation and confinement of the said William Flemming, and have him delivered up to whom I have appointed an Agent on the part of this State, to receive and bring him into this State, having jurisdiction of his crime, agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution of the United States, and the Act of Congress passed on the 24th day of February seventeen hundred and ninety three.

I have the honour to be with great respect

Your Excellency's most obedient servant

His Excellency

The Governor of Ohio

Samuel Sprigg

Council Chamber Annapolis March 21 1800

Sir

By the direction of the Legislature, I have the honour to transmit to your Excellency, a copy of a Resolution passed at its last Session, respecting the encouragement given to and harbouring and employing negroes absconding from this State, by sundry Citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the State of Delaware, and have to request that you will be pleased to cause the same to be communicated to the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for their consideration. - I have the honour to be with great respect

Your Obedient Servant

To the Governor

of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Samuel Sprigg