Senate Chamber
Thursday January 25th 1828.

Hon. William C. Bouck Governor &c.

The Executive are informed that certain Lots of Land in the City of Buffalo which was purchased of the State by Messrs. Ketchum & Grosvenor in 1825 for $65 for the Lots and 50 cents per foot for the Slips, have not been paid for, and that the Purchasers have taken possession of the Premises and commenced the building of Warehouses thereon, in the manner directed by the Canal Commissioners with the consent of the Executive. The Executive have been informed that the Purchasers have applied to you for a release of the Premises from the Mortgage given to the People of the State to secure the payment of the purchase money, and that you have refused to release the same, unless the Executive would recommend to the Legislature the passage of a law authorizing you to release the Premises from the Mortgage. The Executive have been informed that the Purchasers have commenced the erection of Warehouses upon the Premises, and have expended large sums of money in the erection thereof, and that they will be ruined unless relief is granted. From the representation they have received from you, the Executive could form no opinion in your conduct in the premises, as they have been informed that you had commenced the proper legal proceedings to foreclose the Mortgage, and that communication is made to facilitate the means of thereby preventing any dissatisfaction with the Canal Commissioners, as the Purchasers were directed by the Canal Commissioners to apply to you for a release of the Premises from the Mortgage given to the People of the State. The Executive have also been informed that you have refused to release the Premises from the Mortgage, unless the Executive would recommend a law for that purpose