

in perfect obedience to our laws, and comportat himself with a dign-  
-ity and propriety which gained him the good opinion of all  
-who became acquainted with his case.

J. G. Campbell

I most cordially concur in the above statement of Mr. Camp-  
-bell, touching for its truth and correctness on every particu-  
-lar.

W. H. Hubert

Sup. Atty. Gen.

Wells Riv 15<sup>th</sup> of Aug<sup>r</sup> 1839

Dear Sir,

I received your letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> Inst. relative to my  
Arrest in York. And to know from me whether or not the Jus-  
-tice of the Peace was apprised of the authority under which I  
acted. The Sheriff turnkey told me he acquainted him of the  
-circumstances when he was about to take his / the fugitive / af-  
-fidavit after I had been arrested & brought before him for trial  
I then & there presented the papers under which I acted which  
he treated with perfect indifference.

Your Honor is aware that the mode  
in Pennsylvania is different from ours the Governor issues  
his mandate to the Judge & the Judge to the Sheriff.

I remain yr  
Oblt Servant  
James Keen

His Excellency  
William Mason  
Gov. of U.S.

Annapolis Maryland August 19, 1839.

Sir,

My attention has been called to an outrage, com-  
-mitted by John A. Wilson, Justice of the peace in York County  
-Pennsylvania, upon James Keen Sheriff of Annapolis county, while  
in the act of conveying to this State negro Isaac Cummins a  
-fugitive from justice.

Cummins had fled to York County and had  
there been arrested and imprisoned for a felony committed in  
this State. On the 28<sup>th</sup> of June a requisition was made upon  
your Excellency for his delivery to James Keen who was in-  
-vested with the necessary authority to bring him within the  
jurisdiction of Maryland. Mr Keen received the prisoner from  
the Sheriff of York on the 2<sup>th</sup> of July, in pursuance of the order  
of your Excellency and the warrant of Judge Barber, and