

Wm. Franklin Esq. President and
To the Honorable Samuel Dale Esq. Judge of the Court of
Common Pleas of Lancaster County.

The undersigned respectfully Returns That he has the
Bodies of the said Jonathan Bell, Jacob Chow, William
Gibbs, Thomas Jones, John Jones, Henry Hopkin
before you Honors as within he is commanded
That he detains them by virtue of a warrant
of commitment a copy of which is annexed
to the application for the writ of Habeas
Corpus - June 5th. 1827. — Wm. White Sailor

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Commonwealth

Ward

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William White before

for the

body of

Jonathan Bell, Jacob Chow,

William Gibbs, Thomas

Jones, John Jones, &

Henry Hopkin

by act of 1785

Chambers

Lancaster

1827 June 5th. The Honorable Court of Common Pleas
in \$20.00 per ~~the~~ appearance at the next Court of
Quarter Session to answer - See -
Warrant given taken - See Warrant go to before
our Jurors

LANCASTER COUNTY, ss.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

TO *William White Esquire Keeper of the Jail* GREETING.

You are hereby commanded that the Bodies of
Jonathan Petty, Jacob Chew, William Johnson, Thomas Jones, Leper Jones & Jerry Hopkins
under your custody

detained, as it is said, together with the day and cause
of *their* being taken and detained, by whatsoever

Thomas Jones, Leper Jones, & Jerry Hopkins name the said *Jonathan Petty, Jacob Chew, William Johnson* shall
be charged in the same, you have under safe and secure conduct before
the Honourable *Daniel Gale* one of the Judges of the Court of
Common Pleas of said County of Lancaster at his Chambers, at 10
O'clock A.M.

to do and receive all those things which the said Judge shall then and
there consider of in this particular.

Witness the Honourable WALTER FRANKLIN, Esquire, President of the Court of Common Pleas
of said county, at the city of Lancaster, the *fifth* day *June* in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *twenty seven*

ALLOWED BY

M. S. Smith
Prothonotary

To the Honorable Samuel Dale Esq. one of the Judges of the Court of
Common Pleas of Lancaster County.

The undersigned, have been committed to the Jail of
Lancaster County and are in custody by virtue of a commitment
a copy of which is hereto annexed. They therefore pray you
Honor to award a writ of Habeas Corpus according
to the provisions of the act of the 18th. February
1785.

Lancaster Jail June 5th. 1827.

Witnesses Present

Wm. Chambliss

Wm. White

Jan. ^{his} + Tetz
^{meant}
Jas. ^{his} + Chew
^{meant}
Wm. ^{his} + Johnson
^{meant}
Thos. ^{his} + Jones
^{meant}
Jas. ^{his} + Jones
^{meant}
Jere. ^{his} + Hopkins
^{meant}

Let a writ issue returnable at 10 o'clock
at my Office
Sam Dale

County of Lancaster. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Constable of
the Township of Manas in the County of Lancaster and to the
keeper of the common jail of the said County

Whereas Jonathan Pitts, Jacob Chew, William Johnston, Thomas Jones, Jesse Jones,
and old Jerry Hopkins, men of color, of Manas Township, laborers, have been brought
before Joseph Mosher Esq. one of our Justices of the Peace in and for said County
by virtue of his Warrant of the said Joseph Mosher charged on the solemn
affirmation of Samuel C. Bonham one of the Administrators (with the Will
annexed) of the estate of Jacob Drift Esq. deceased with making with a
strong hand and against our peace a forcible entry on an Island in
the Susquehanna river known by the name of the Spice Island belonging
to the estate of said deceased and they having been required to find suf-
ficient surety as well for their appearance at the next Court of Quarter
Sessions of the Peace to be holden for said County to be proceeded
against according to law as that in the mean time they be of their
good behaviour and keep the peace towards all our citizens and especially
towards the said Samuel C. Bonham as aforesaid - and whereas the
said Jonathan Pitts, Jacob Chew, William Johnston, Thomas Jones, Jesse
Jones, and Jerry Hopkins have severally refused and continues to
refuse to find sufficient as aforesaid. These are therefore to command
you the said Constable to convey the said Jonathan Pitts, Jacob Chew,
William Johnston, Thomas Jones, Jesse Jones, and Jerry Hopkins to the
common jail of the said County, and deliver them to the keeper thereof
who is hereby enjoined to receive the said Jonathan Pitts, Jacob Chew,
William Johnston, Thomas Jones, Jesse Jones, and Jerry Hopkins, and
thence safely keep in custody until they find sufficient surety as
aforesaid or are otherwise legally discharged - Witness the said
Joseph Mosher, at the Borough of Washington the fourth day of
June A.D. One thousand eight hundred and twenty seven

Joseph Mosher

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Comptroller of the

Mr. White Esq.

affidavit

filed June 5th 1827