

1050/ 1860

Petition of James H.  
Lindsey for Hab. Corpus

To Mr. Carpenter Esq  
Prothonary

Shew a Writ of  
Hab. Corpus, on the within  
Petition, returnable before me  
this Afternoon, at 5 o'clock  
at my Chambers,

A. L. Hayes  
March 29 1860



Lancaster County Ps.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

To the Court. of Sadsbury Twp in said County of  
Lanc. & to the Keeper of the Common Jail of said  
County.

Whereas James Lindsey of Sadsbury Twp.  
Chester Co. hath been brought before S. Stokum  
a Justice of the Peace in and for said County,  
charged on oath of Abram Anderson of Lanc. Co.  
with having assisted to kidnap Thomas Updeburn  
in the latter part of Dec. 1859. These are therefore  
to command you to convey the said James  
Lindsey, forthwith to the Common Jail of the  
said County of Lancr. and deliver him to the  
Keeper thereof, who is hereby likewise enjoined  
to receive the said Jas. Lindsey & keep him in  
safe custody until he shall be delivered by due  
course of law. Witness the said Justice at  
Sadsbury Township the 12th. day of March 1860.

Signed

S. Stokum

Deputy  
Clerk

Justice Peace



To the Honorable Henry G. Long President Judge  
of the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County:

The petition of James H. Lindsey respectfully  
sheweth: That your petitioner is confined unjustly (as he  
apprehends) in the jail of the county aforesaid, for some  
criminal or supposed criminal matter, as appears by a  
copy of the warrant of the commitment hereto annexed.  
To be relieved from which imprisonment your petitioner now  
applies, praying that a writ of habeas corpus may be  
issued according to the Act of Assembly, in such case  
made and provided, so that your petitioner may be  
brought before your Honor to do submit to and receive  
what the laws may require.

James H. Lindsey

Lancaster County, Pa. ~~Received~~

Personally appeared the above named  
James H. Lindsey before me, the subscriber, the <sup>Assistant</sup> Keeper  
of the Prison of the County aforesaid, and made solemn  
oath that the facts above set forth are true to the  
best of his knowledge & belief.

Given & subscribed the 29th day of March A.D. 1860 —

Edwin Weigand  
Assistant Keeper

James H. Lindsey



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Committee of }  
Prison }  
as }  
Jury advised }  
by Super of Lanc }  
Co Prison }  
James  
McLinday

By act of 1785.

Attest  
pa

YOU are hereby commanded that the Body of *James*  
*N. Lindsey* under your custody  
detained, as it is said, together with the day and cause of *his*  
being taken and detained, by whatsoever name the said \_\_\_\_\_

*James N. Lindsey* \_\_\_\_\_

shall be charged in the same, you have under safe and secure conduct before the Honorable

*A. L. Hayes at his Chambers this 29th of March 1860*  
*at 5 O'clock P.M.* \_\_\_\_\_

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

WITNESS the Honorable *N. G. Lang* \_\_\_\_\_ Esquire, President of the  
Court of Common Pleas of said county, at the city of Lancaster, the *twenty ninth*  
day of *March* \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred  
and ~~forty~~ *sixty* \_\_\_\_\_

ALLOWED BY

*Ferdinand Brinton*

*G. Clarkson*  
*for Party*



1860 March 29 -

The party being brought  
before me on the within  
writ, and a letter of J.  
Stokom Esquire, being shown  
(which is filed) and the  
District Atty who was  
attending upon notice, ex-  
pressing his belief that the  
prisoner ought not to be  
further detained on the  
charge on which he was  
committed - he is dis-  
charged.

A. L. Hayes



Honorable ~~H. G. Long~~, President Judge (or A. L. Hayes, Associate  
Judge,) of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Lancaster :

JAY CADWELL, the defendant in the within mentioned Writ, for return thereto, respectfully submits  
your Honors that the said *James Lindsey* — therein named, is confined in the  
Lancaster County Prison, by virtue of a warrant commitment, whereof the following is a copy, viz :

Lancaster County, ss. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.  
To the Const. of Sadsbury Township in said  
County of Lancaster & to the Keeper of the  
Common Jail of said County.  
Whereas James Lindsey of Sadsbury Twp. Lancaster County,  
hath been brought before S. Stokom, a Justice of the  
Peace in and for said County, charged on oath of Abram.  
Anderson, of Lanc. Co. with having assisted to kidnap  
Thomas Updeburn, in the latter part of Dec. 1859.

These are therefore to command you to convey the  
said James Lindsey forthwith to the Common Jail of the  
said County of Lanc. and deliver him to the Keeper  
thereof, who is hereby likewise enjoined to receive the  
said James Lindsey, and keep him in safe custody  
until he shall be delivered by due course of law.

Witness the said Justice at Sadsbury Township  
the 12th. day of March 1860.

Signed *S. Stokom* *Peace*  
Justice Peace

Wherefore the said JAY CADWELL has here before your Honor the body of the said  
*James Lindsey* — , together with the said Writ, as therein he is commanded.

*Jay Cadwell*  
KEEPER.



Christiana March 21/60  
Emlin Franklin Esq

Dear Sir

The Colored man  
James Linsey who is now in jail for being  
accessory to Kidnapping from the best infor-  
mation that I can receive there will be no  
evidence against him, & as he is one of a company  
who have made arrangements to go to Liberia in  
the spring I think it would be right to  
let him go, if you think proper to see him & try  
to know from him if he would be of any service to  
convict the other parties, you might draw some thing  
out of him, please drop me a line what you  
think about the matter Very Respectfully

S. S. Hall