

The Right Hon.
Sir C. Bagot to
Lord Stanley.
20 Jan. 1842.

was a slave to Willis Wallace from the 15th June 1840 until December, after which Alfred Wallace told him to come over to his house; does not know whether he was sold to him or not; took no money from any person. And the witness against the said Nelson Hackett, being examined in his presence, the said Nelson Hackett is now asked if he wished to say anything in his own behalf; whereupon the said Nelson Hackett saith no.

his
(signed) *Nelson x Hackett.*
mark.

Taken before us at Chatham, this 17th day of September 1841.

(signed) *Thomas M'Crae, J. P., W. D.*
 James Reid, J. P., W. D.

Western District, to wit.—THE examination of *Alfred Wallace*, of the county of Washington, state of Arkansas, merchant, taken upon oath before us, Thomas M'Crae and James Reid, esqrs. two of Her Majesty's justices of the peace, this 7th day of September 1841, in the presence and hearing of Nelson Hackett, charged this day for having taken and feloniously stolen a certain roan mare, a blue over-coat, and a quantity of silver. This deponent saith, that the prisoner, Nelson Hackett, has been in his employ, as his slave, since June 1840; that he left his service in July 1841, in the state of Arkansas; that the roan mare and the over-coat, now found in the possession of the prisoner, is the property of this deponent; that a gold watch, now also found upon the person of the prisoner, is the property of Augustus J. Ward, of Arkansas aforesaid; that the saddle, also found in the possession of the prisoner, is the property of W. L. Willson, of Arkansas aforesaid; which said mare, saddle, coat, and watch, this deponent believes to be of the value of 68 l. 15 s. provincial currency. Prisoner was never out of this deponent's sight more than two or three weeks at a time. This deponent verily believes that the prisoner did steal the sum of 500 dollars, in specie of gold and silver; and further this deponent saith not.

(signed) *Alfred Wallace.*

Taken and sworn before us at Chatham, this 7th day of September 1841.

(signed) *Thomas M'Crae, J. P., W. D.*
 James Reid, J. P., W. D.

One mare	-	-	-	-	-	\$- 125
One saddle	-	-	-	-	-	25
One coat	-	-	-	-	-	25
One gold watch	-	-	-	-	-	100
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						\$ 275

To his Excellency the Right Honourable *Charles Baron Sydenham*, of *Sydenham*, in the County of *Kent*, &c. &c. &c. Governor-General of *British North America*.

May it please your Excellency,

THE petition of *Alfred Wallace*, of the state of Arkansas, in the United States, merchant, who humbly prayeth that Nelson Hackett, a negro, who, on the 18th July last, stole from your petitioner a roan mare, and an over-coat, and a quantity of American gold and Mexican silver coin, to the value of 100 l. and upwards, and who your petitioner followed into Canada, and there found the mare and over-coat, his property, with the prisoner, and who the authorities in Canada committed to Sandwich Gaol, may be given up to the authorities in the United States, to be there dealt with according to law; and your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Sandwich, Canada,
21 September 1841.

(signed) *Alfred Wallace.*