Know all men by these Presents: That whereas the ship Washington of New York, I under my command, was this day capt=
=ured on the high seas, as prize of war by the Confederate States Steamer of War, Alabama R. Semmes Commander, and whereas I.
Joseph G. White master of said ship as aforesaid, am desirous of ransoming said, Ship for the benefit of myself and of the owners thereof, to-wit
William T. Frost, James M. Hicks & George Bell Thomas Eggleston, Joshua Battell, Horace Wright, David L. Young, Robert L. Taylor, Pitkin Page
Now therefore I Joseph G. White master of the said Ship as aforesaid, acting for myself and the above named owners, as I am empowered to do by the laws of nations, for and in consideration of the release of said ship by the Captor, the release whereof is hereby acknowled=
=ged, do acknowledge myself, and the aforesaid owners to-wit, William T. Frost, James M. Hicks George Bell, Thomas Eggleston, Joshua Battell, Horace Wright, David L. Young, Robert L. Taylor, Pitkin Page,
jointly, and severally indebted to the

President of the Confederate States of America, and his successor, and successors in office in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars.

which said sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars

well and truly to pay unto the President of the Confederate States of America his successor, and successors in office, within thirty days after the conclusion of the present war, between the said Confederate States, and the United States, I hereby bind myself and the above named owners jointly and severally, and my and their heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns.

And I do hereby hypothecate the said Ship, her tackle, and apparel, for the payment of this bond.

Done, this the twenty seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and sixty three, at sea, on board the Confederate States Steamer "Alabama".

Witness
W. B. Smith
Commander's Clerk

Joseph J. White (Seal)

Random Bond.

"Washington"

$50.000

Feb 27th 1883.

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