

sustained: It is agreed that in all such Cases, where full Compensation for such Losses and Damages cannot, for whatever Reason, be actually obtained, had and received by the said Creditors, in the ordinary Course of Justice, the United States will make full and complete Compensation for the same to the said Creditors; but it is distinctly understood that this Provision is to extend to such Losses only as have been occasioned by the lawful Impediments aforesaid, and is not to extend to Losses occasioned by such Insolvency of the Debtors, or other Causes, as would equally have operated to produce such Loss, if the said Impediments had not existed; nor to such Losses or Damages as have been occasioned by the manifest Delay or Negligence, or wilful Omission of the Claimant."

By Order of the Board,
Griffith Evans, Secretary.

Philadelphia, Commissioners Office;
No. 3, South - Sixth - Street,
May 29, 1797.

THE Subscriber having been appointed by the Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of His Britannic Majesty General Agent for assisting British Creditors, and such particular Agents as they may specially authorize, in prosecuting their Claims before the Commissioners for carrying into Effect the Sixth Article of the Treaty of Amity, Commerce and Navigation between His Britannic Majesty and the United States of America, hereby gives Notice, that he has opened his Office, at his House, the South-East Corner of Chestnut and Fifth Streets, Philadelphia, where he is ready to receive all Claims, or Instructions for Claims, with the Vouchers and Documents thereof, for the Purpose of bringing forward the same, agreeably to the Rules and Orders which the Board may think proper to prescribe.

And as it will be for the Interest of all concerned, that the several Claims be so stated, and supported, as to prevent the Delay which would arise from the Necessity of obtaining further Information, or additional Materials, from Persons residing at a Distance, the General Agent thinks it his Duty to add, (for the Direction chiefly of those, who, not having employed particular Agents, may leave the Prosecution of their Claims to his Charge and Management) that all such Claims ought in particular to set forth—

1st. The proper Description and Situation of the Creditor or Claimant, and original Debtor, respectively.
2^d. The Date and Nature of the original Contract or Debt.

3^d. When, in what Manner, and to what Extent, the Creditor or Claimant was prevented or impeded, by the Provision, Operation or Defect of Law, the Decisions and Practice of Courts, or Restraint of Execution, from recovering Payment of the Debt in Question.

4th. The Loss and Damage incurred or sustained, in consequence of such Impediments, whether the same may have arisen from the Insolvency, Change of Situation, or Death of the Debtor, the Loss of legal Remedy from Lapse of Time, or other Causes impairing the Value and Security of the Debt, which would not have so operated if such Impediments had not existed.

And 5th. The particular Grounds and Reasons on which the Claimant maintains, in the Terms of the Treaty, "that by the ordinary Course of Judicial Proceedings the Creditor cannot now obtain and actually have and receive full and adequate Compensation" for the Losses and Damages so sustained.

The General Agent thinks it his Duty farther to suggest, that the several Claims ought to be accompanied and supported by the Affidavits of the Claimants duly sworn and regularly attested, both as to the Existence of the Debts claimed, and such other Circumstances as may be within their own Knowledge respectively. And wherever the Claimants, in stating the Nature of their Evidence, (which must in every Instance be the best of which the Case is capable) have occasion to refer to the Testimony of Witnesses, it will be proper to apprise the General Agent of the Names and Places of Residence of such Witnesses, and the Facts to be established by their Testimony.

Wm. Moore Smith.

Philadelphia, June 8, 1797.

Whitehall, September 16, 1797.

WHEREAS it has been humbly represented to the King, that the Barn and Barn Yard at Kilsse, in the Parish of Edron, in the County of Berwick, were wilfully set Fire to on the Night between Wednesday the 16th and Thursday the 17th Day of August last; and that also the Barn Yard at Haslington Maines, in the Parish of Eccles and County aforesaid, was wilfully set Fire to on the Night of Sunday the 20th Day of August last, by some malicious Person or Persons unknown.

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in setting Fire to the Two Barns above mentioned, is hereby pleased to offer His most gracious Pardon to any one of them except the Person or Persons who actually set Fire thereto (who shall discover his or their Accomplices therein, so that he, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

PORTLAND.

And, as a farther Encouragement, a Reward of TWO HUNDRED and FIFTY POUNDS is hereby promised to any Person making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as is before excepted) to be paid on the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders, by the Collector of the Land Tax of the County of Berwick.

And, as a yet farther Encouragement, an additional Reward of FIFTY POUNDS is also hereby offered to any Person making such Discovery (except as aforesaid) to be paid on the above mentioned Conviction, by the Association for the Preservation of the Police of the said County.

David Renton, Collector.

John Turnbull,

Cashier to the Association for the Preservation of the Police.

Union Fire-Office, September 16, 1797.

THE Directors of the Union Society for Insuring Goods and Merchandize from Loss by Fire, give Notice, that the Half-Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the said Society, for electing, by Ballot, Eight Directors for the Year ensuing, will be held at their Office in Maiden-Lane, Wood-Street, near Cheapside, on Tuesday the 26th Instant, from Nine o'Clock in the Forenoon to Six o'Clock in the Evening: And that the said General Meeting will be held, by Adjournment, on Wednesday (the Day following) at Five o'Clock in the afternoon, to declare the said Election, and to report the State of the Office; where the Proprietors are desired to attend.

Isaac Hartman, Clerk.