

To Brig: Genl R. P. Buckland
Commanding District of Memphis

Robertson Tapp, and William L. Vane,
loyal Citizens of the United States, residing in
the District of Memphis, respectfully represent
that the Steam Boat "Lady", now lying at the
Wharf in the City of Memphis, ^{and} ~~of which steam~~
~~boat~~ ^{of said boat} who is Master, ^{are}
justly indebted to them in the sum of
Dollars, being

the value of fifteen Bales of Cotton, which were
the property of Petliners, which, as Petliners
and said Master
aver, were taken by said Steam Boat, from
"Argyle Landing", on the Mississippi River, in
Washington County, Mississippi, on or about
the 30th day of April, 1864; and were by said
Steam Boat, and the said

Master thereof, removed to some place to Petliners
entirement, and by the said Steam Boat, and the
said

Master thereof converted
and appropriated; whereby Petliners were deprived
of their property, and greatly damaged

Petliners aver that the said
was informed and knew that said fifteen bales
of Cotton belonged to them; and that the
taking removal and conversion of the same
were a fraud upon Petliners, requiring the
immediate return of the Cotton.

Petitioners represent that the said Steam boat
Lady is about to be removed from the District of
Memphis, and beyond the limits of the State
of Tennessee, as they are informed and believe; and
that the said Master
of said Steam boat, is a non-resident of
the State of Tennessee, and about to leave
with said boat.

Petitioners ask therefore that the said Steam
boat Lady and the said
Master thereof, be made Defendants hereto;
and that an attachment be issued and levied
upon said Steam boat, together with the
furniture, fixtures, machinery and appurtenances
thereof, and that the said
Master of said boat, be summoned, and
required to answer; and that, upon a hearing,
an order be made requiring said Defendants, to
pay to Petitioners the amount which may be
found to be due to them, with the costs;
and that the said boat, be sold if deemed
to satisfy the claim.

Kobrecht & Craft
Attors: for Petitioners

one of the Petitioners above named,
made oath that the statements contained in the
 foregoing Petition are true to the best of his own belief.

Sworn to & subscribed before me
the 6th day of June, 1864.