

WASHINGTON, D. C. *January 23d, 1865.*

MAJOR GEN. LEW WALLACE:

*Dear Sir:*—There is a woman named Elizabeth Clark, who says that she has two children at the house of Thomas McGhee, a ship carpenter, who lives in Warren street Baltimore. The names of the children are Celia, Ann, Hagar, Clark and George Washington Clark. The said McGhee is keeping the children from their mother and wants to get them bound to him which she does not wish done, but wants the children to be delivered to her.

Cannot her request be granted?

With much confidence in your decision I remain,

Faithfully yours,

GEORGE E. H. DAY.

*Attorney for National Freedman's Relief Commission.*

Mr. Wilson will present this letter for the mother of the children.

*Endorsed.*—“Desires the children Elizabeth Clark, restored to her.”

TEMPLEVILLE, MD., *Jan. 20th 1865.*

*Dear Sir:*—At the request of the party to the enclosed letter, I would say, that although I do not know the statements there made to be true, yet I have no reason to doubt them as it is but a similar case to hundreds in our county.

I know that great injustice has been done in many instances and there should be a remedy somewhere, but no steps have been taken by the authorities under whom I am acting.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES R. DILL,

*Dep. Pro. Marshal,*

*Queen Anne's Co.*