

To the general assembly of Virginia

The Petition of sundry inhabitants of Charlestown
in the County of Jefferson, and of its vicinity, res-
pectfully representeth:

That the said Town experiences great
inconveniencies at present from the want of
Water, which hath been found very precarious
& difficult to procure by wells, the digging of
which is rendered every where round about
~~about and in said town~~ very expensive from
the limestone Rocks, which every where in and
round about said town are found beneath the
surface of the ground; that both the town
& ~~neighbouring~~ ~~county~~ feel the want of
a Market-house therein, which the in-
habitants cannot build without too heavy
a contribution from their private means,
especially as a like contribution hath so
recently been made by them toward
the Building of the County Court-house,
and further that being desirous of in-
stituting a fire Company for the preserva-

of their Houses, - (which are at present greatly
 exposed to the danger of Fire both for the want
 of such an association, & also for the want of
 Water in situations distant from the Stream
 which runs thro' one end of said town) - they
 want also the means of purchasing a fire
 Engine: Where your petitioners pray that
 your honorable Body will be pleased to grant
 them an act authorising a Lottery to raise
~~Five thousand~~ Dollars to be applied to the
 purposes of bring^{ing} water into said Town by means
 of canals and Pipes, ~~building a market house~~
 & purchasing a fire engine; and also an
 act appointing Trustees for the Regulation of
 the concerns & Interests thereof, similar to the
 act passed for the town of
 in the county of
 And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will pray &c.

Subscribers names.

J. W. Humphreys
 Geo. Moore
 Geo. S. Lane

Subscribers Names.

Tho. Flagg
 W. P. Clarke
 Will. Gale
 W. W. Lane
 Geo. S. Lane

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Levi Heath

Eno Dixon

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Samuel Lewis

John Henry

Thos Hammond

Wm Craghill

William Little

Ally Hite

Jas Wood

George Mayhew

Benjamin Thos

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Mathew Anderson

Robert Claspill

Geo North

Abraham Thompson

Isaac Brown

Wm Griffith

Thos Hale

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John Young

Wm Shope

Rich Bayler

Sam. Cannon

Andrew W. Smith

Chancellor
Dec 13 1837
Dec 18 1837
Dec 19 1837

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 Jno. Kennedy
 Tho. Swatlowood
 Alex. Sanderson
 Saunders
 Beacham Bushmaster
 Wm. Gibbs
 Job. Wilson
 Andrew Wood
 Michael Doer
 James Brady
 James King
 Henry Howard
 Jesse Hapley
 Michael Sabow
 A. Haynie
 John Austin
 Asa Downpost

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 James Fulton
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 Robert McNeill
 Colleen Cordell
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 Hugh McDonald
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 Wm. Jackson
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