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Lund Washington's List of Runaway Enslaved People (Transcription) ca. 1781

Courtesy of Mount Vernon Ladies' Association

Peter. — an Old man

Lewis. — an Old man

Frank. — an Old man

Frederick. a man about 45. years old — an overseer and valuable

Gunner. — a man about 45 years old — valuable, a Brick maker

Harry — a man about 40 years Old — valuable, a Horseler

Tom — a man about 20 years old, stout & Healthy

Sambo — a man about 20 years old, stout & Healthy

Thomas — a Lad about 17 years old — House servant

Peter — a Lad about 15 years old — very likely

Stephen — a man about 20 years old — a cooper by trade

James — a man about 25 years old — stout & Healthy

Watty — a man about 20 years old — by trade a weaver

Daniel — a man about 19 years old — very likely

Lucy — a woman about 20 years old

Esther — a woman about 18 years old

Deborah a woman about 16 years old

The above slaves were taken from his Excellency General Washington — by — Captain Richard Graves in the Savage sloop of war — in April 1781

Frederick Frank Gunner, Sambo, Thomas (recovered in Philadelphia) Lucy — Esther — were recovered after the siege of york — the General paid salvage on Tom in Philadelphia I cannot tell what it was. I paid 12 Dollars [unknown word] on him from Philadelphia [unknown word]

Not a very Valuable boat 22 feet keel Was also carried off by the above Graves and his squadron.

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Both spelling and formatting have been corrected in this transcription to make the document easier to read.

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