2 March 1814

Sale of a slave by David Lejeune to the Corporation,

Inview of the resolution of the City
Council of New Orleans, dated the 12th of
last February, by which it accepts the
relinquishment, which we proposed to
it by our letter of the 20th of the preceding January, of the Negro named Bartelet
belonging to Mr. Lejeune, a resident of Bayou
Sarrah (sic), for the sum of sixty dollars
and twelve and one-half cents;

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xolained above, we deliver, in our said We the undersigned Fierre Laurens and J. B. Plauche, by virtue of the special power given to us by the soid Mr. David Le jeune, under private signature, dated in in the Parish of Feliciana the fifth of last February, in the presence of witnesses, joined and attached to these documents, declare ourselves to have sold, ceded, delivered, and abandoned, as indeed we do sell, cede, deliver and abandon, from now and forever, with promise to guarantee, under our aforesaid capacity as well as from our personal responsibility, considering the non-residence of our constituent in this said City, from all troubles, evictions, and claims whatsoever, as well as all debts and mortgages, ots Crivan (?) and G. Wontamot (?)

To the Honorable Nicolas Girod, Mayor of New Orleans, acting as much in that capacity as in the name of the Corporation of said City;

A negro named Bartelet, aged about forty years, whom we declare to be unhealthy and inclined to run away, such as he is moreover, and is to be found at present in the police jail, with his good and bad qualities, who belongs to the said Mr. David Lejeune on account of his having acquired him from Mr. Taylor, as he declares in the power of attorney of a similar nature, and is from the present time within the possession of the corporation, as the Honorable Nicolas Girod recognizes and declares, for the said corporation to do with, use, or dispose of as a thing belonging to it (the corporation) with all rights of property, by virtue of the present document.

The present sale is made by the means of the sum of sixty dollars and twelve and one-half

cents that the sellers recognize and acknowledge to have received in full at the present time in a receipt (i.e., a paid bill) for an equal sum owed by the said David Lejeune to the corporation for jail costs and expenses of treatment of the said slave Bartelet, sold at this time and for which sum we give good and valid receipt add discharge to the said corporation

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By means of the payment thus made by the settlement of Mr. David Lejeune, as is explained above, we deliver, in our said capacity, to the corporation of New Orleans, represented as is stated, all the property rights and others that the said Mr. David Lejeune had and could have had over the said Negro Bartelet, under all guarantees mentioned above, and we further declare, in the nature of testimony (as a witness) that the above named sum, although in appearance unworthy (of consideration) is really proportionate in the value of the said negro Bartelet, by reason of his poor health and vicious (? not very legible) defects.

Done and passed in New Orleans in the office of the City Hall, in the presence of Messers Leon Francois Crivan (?) and G. Montamot (?) witnesses, who have signed with the (contracting) parties, the second day of the month of March of eighteen hundred fourteen.

The draft is signed Pierre Laurens, J. B. Plauche, L. F. Crivan, G. Montamot; approved, N. Girod, Mayor,

As a certified copy,
N. Girod, Mayor