

Journal C of Station No. 2 William Still 1852-1857

Vigilance Committee of Philadelphia, PAS Papers, HSP

Sept. 23 1853 Philadelphia

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Expences

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October 25 1853 Philadelphia

Shipped to John H. Hill of Toronto, one large box of goods from his wife- paid by express.

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² City of Richmond Steamship

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Oct. 3 arrived - John Scott, Elias Lovy

Dunwood, age 22 yrs - from Maryland

1 Co. Mid. left last June - duly examined & directed to J. R. Co. - Exp. \$100

6. Wm. Ellis, alias John Jones & his wife Mary - both Middle age,

Medium size and of dark complexion - had left North Carolina

2 about 3 weeks previous to their arrival in this great City

They left two boys, one ten & the other 12 yrs of age - was directed to J.

Smith after being duly examined &

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We came away on the City of

R.

Two days board

Carpet bag

Carriage hire

Fare to N.Y.

Cash

50

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37

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Oct. 27th
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Arrived - Mark Hamlet Thos. Coff
from Retirement, Mont. Co. Md. Left
home on the 15th of Oct. - Went to
Washington stopped with a man by
the name of Lee - obtained instructions
and so came on - Was arrested soon
after he reached the Pa line by 6
white men, but was soon released