

*Mr. Whitehead* was desirous of postponing the examination to afford time to get the testimony of a man who is a waiter at the New-England Hotel, who will prove that he lived in New-York while he is claimed to have resided in Richmond. Long, in his affidavit to that effect, also claimed to be a freeman. Mr. Parker was opposed to any delay, and urged immediate action, as the more summary it was, he said, the more in accordance with the law. He thought the man might be brought up in 15 minutes as well as 15 days. Mr. Whitehead urged to the Commissioner the propriety of giving him at least one hour, or longer, if necessary, to get the witness. It is a boon granted in the most common case, to say nothing where liberty and life are at stake. He wished, too, that Messrs. Jay and Field, his elder counsel, were here, and that the case should be adjourned till next day.

Mr. Tappan, also, suggested an adjournment till to-day, but Mr. Parker thought Mr. T. had no right to say anything. This produced a severe rebuke from Mr. T. who stated also that he did not think the Marshal, Mr. Talmadge, a son of Col. Talmadge, who was an aid-de-camp to Gen. Washington, and whom it was his pleasure to know, would wish to hurry a man claiming to be a freeman off to Slavery without giving him a chance to be heard.

The Commissioner was in doubt as to his power to adjourn the examination, when Mr. T. alluded to the fact of Judge Grier, in Philadelphia, having done so, and that adjournment saved the man from going to slavery.

The Commissioner said he was desirous to do everything proper in the case, as Mr. Parker finally said he was, and it was concluded to adjourn to this forenoon. Mr. Jay then came in, and the hour of adjournment was fixed to 10 o'clock.