

STEAMBOAT CAROLINE.

MESSAGE

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TRANSMITTING

*The information required by a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 21st ultimo, respecting the Capture and Destruction of the Steamboat Caroline, on the night of the 29th December last, &c.*

APRIL 5, 1838.

Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

*To the House of Representatives of the United States:*

I herewith transmit to the House of Representatives a report from the Secretary of State, with accompanying papers, in answer to their resolution of the 21st ultimo.

M. VAN BUREN.

WASHINGTON, April 5, 1838.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

Washington, April 4, 1838.

The Secretary of State, to whom has been referred the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 21st ultimo, requesting the President, "if not incompatible with the public interests, to communicate to that House any information possessed by him respecting the capture and destruction of the steamboat Caroline, at Schlosser, during the night of the 29th December last, and the murder of citizens of the United States on board, and all the particulars thereof not heretofore communicated; and especially to inform the House whether said capture was authorized, commanded, or sanctioned, or has been avowed by the British authorities or officers, or any of them; and also what steps have been taken by him to obtain satisfaction from the Government of Great Britain on account of said outrage; and to communicate to the House all correspondence or communications relative thereto, which have passed between the Government of the United States and Great Britain, or any of the public authorities of either:" has

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