

Confederate
The President of the ~~United~~ States of America,

To the Marshal of the ~~Eastern~~ District of Louisiana, or to his Lawful Deputy, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, forthwith to seize and into your possession take, the Schooner "Mermaid" her tackle ~~and her cargo~~
and her cargo

now libelled by ~~John~~ ~~Commander of Steam Ship "Calhoun" on behalf of himself & others~~
& seized & claimed as lawful prize of war, as per Libel remaining

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DISTRICT COURT OF THE ~~UNITED~~ STATES for the ~~Eastern~~ District of Louisiana; that you do cite and admonish the owner or owners, and all and every other person or persons having or pretending to have, any right, title, or interest, in or to the same, to be and appear before a District Court of the ~~United~~ *Confederate* States, for the District aforesaid, to be holden at the City of New Orleans, on or before the third Monday from the service hereof, to show cause, if any they have or can, why the said Schooner "Mermaid" her outfit tackle ~~to do~~ & her cargo ~~||~~ ~~||~~ ~~||~~

should not be condemned and sold, agreeably to the prayer of the Libellant; and how you have executed this Warrant, that you make return according to law.

E. Warren Moore

WITNESS, the Honorable ~~THEODORE H. MCALEB~~, Judge of the said Court, at NEW ORLEANS, this 27th day of

May

1861, and the *first*

year of the Independence of the ~~United~~ *Confederate* States.

J. W. Gentry

CLERK.