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Title: Instructions from the general assembly of Virginia, to James Barbour and to James Pleasants, Junr., senators from Virginia in the congress of the U. S.

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Here, Barbour and Pleasants were instructed to seek constitutional amendments to limit the use of that clause, and to establish a tribunal independent of the state and federal systems to resolve conflicts between those systems, rather than rely on the Supreme Court to do so.

Thomas Ritchie, the public printer, was ordered on December 22, 1819, to print 250 copies of this report for the use of the Assembly, so the attribution here to the partnership then conducting his press; he was also ordered to produce the collection on February 12, 1820

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