

William W. Laird } Be it remembered that the following Deed of Manumission
 &c. to } 55 } was recorded on the 18th day of January 1848, to wit:
 Martha Ellen Parker } To all whom it may concern, be it known, that I, William W.
 Laird, of Dorchester County in the State of Maryland, for divers
 good causes and considerations me therunto moving, have released from slavery, liberated,
 manumitted and set free, and by these presents do hereby release from slavery, liberate,
 manumit and set free, my Negro Girl named Martha Ellen Parker, being of the age
 of eight years, and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance,
 and her the said Negro Girl named Martha Ellen Parker, I do declare to be hence-
 forth free, manumitted and discharged from all manner of service or servitude, to
 me, my Executors or Administrators, forever. In Witness whereof I have here-
 unto set my hand and seal this seventeenth day of January, in the year of Our
 Lord eighteen hundred and forty eight.

Witnesses

Robert Bell - D. M. Henry. }

Wm. W. Laird (Seal)

State of Maryland, Dorchester County, Et.

Be it remembered and it is hereby certified, that on this seventeenth day of January,
 in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty eight, before the sub-
 scriber, a Justice of the Peace, of the State of Maryland, in and for Dorchester
 County, aforesaid, personally appears William W. Laird, he being known to me to be
 the person who is named and described as, and professing to be, a party to the fore-
 going deed, or instrument of writing, and doth acknowledge the same to be
 his act and deed. In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name on the
 day and year aforesaid.

Robert Bell J. P.

William Hollow's } Be it remembered that the following Certificate was
 Certificate of Negro } recorded on the 25th day of January 1848, to wit:
 Girl Elizabeth. &c. } A list of slaves brought from Sussex County, Delaware, and
 50. } introduced into the State of Maryland by William Hollow of
 Dorchester County and State of Maryland, as his slaves for life, on the 30th day of
 December Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, viz, one Negro
 Girl named Elizabeth, aged about sixteen years and of a dark Chestnut Colour.
 William Hollow.

Dorchester County, State of Maryland.

On this twentieth day of January, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty
 eight, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the County & State aforesaid,
 personally appears William Hollow, of the County and State aforesaid, and made Oath
 on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God, the above and aforesaid list of a Negro Girl
 Elizabeth, as described therein, is just and true, and a full list of the Negroes brought
 by him, this deponent, from Sussex County, Delaware, into Dorchester County
 Maryland, and that he has not removed said Negro Girl into this State
 for the purpose of sale, and that she is a slave for life, and also that it
 is his intention, still as heretofore, to be a Citizen and Resident of the County