

HARFORD Co., Dec. 28th.

*Indentured April 14, 1859—aged 16 years.*

J—C— is still with me, and his health is good. He has not attended day or Sabbath School, but attends church regularly. His disposition is gentle, habits good. I believe his aptness for learning, either at books or employment, is fair. I think he has improved in several respects—certainly in weight. He is as industrious, obedient and truthful as I could expect. I think that with a first-rate master he might make a good and useful man.

D. M. K.

P—, VIRGINIA, Nov. —

*Indentured Aug. 5, 1859—aged 17 years.*

V—S— is in good health. I am inclined to believe that he must be a lineal descendant of the ancient hunter, Nimrod—as he has scoured the neighborhood, both by night and day, until few are left, such as possums, rabbits, pole-cats, ground hogs, &c. So far, he is quite useful.

He seems not much disposed to attend church or school—I have frequently offered him a chance to attend both.

His temper and disposition in the main are good. A little girl, a niece of mine, has been trying to learn him to cypher, and to get him to read—not much disposed, however, to do either.

I have a good, steady hired man, who is with him most of the time, and I think he is now in a state of improvement; at all events, he is now much more useful than when he came here; and, in conclusion, can say, that so long as I can keep him away from the contaminating influences of the aborigines round about, I can yet make a useful boy and man of him.

W. S.