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I Nathaniel Washington of St. Mary's County and State of Maryland, do hereby certify, That, on the 20th day of July 1814, I lost by the British, the following Slave.

A Negro man named Bill, aged 40 years, who was worth, agreeably to the prices of such Slaves about that time \$500. Dollars. — That Capt. William Kilgour

(whose certificate is hereafter stated) saw the said Negro man in the service of the British, in aiding & getting off a parcel of Tobacco. And that the aforesaid Negro man Bill has not been since ~~seen~~ seen. Nathl. Washington

Maryland St. Mary's County, to wit, May 10th, 1821

Then came before me the Subscribed, a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid, Nathaniel Washington, & made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, that the above certificate is just & true as therein stated, to the best of his knowledge & belief.


Sworn before
Jos. Davis

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Slave Bill - 40 - \$500 - 2 days - taken off 20 July, 1814 -

Washington, Natl. St. Mary's Co. Md. 18 May 1821

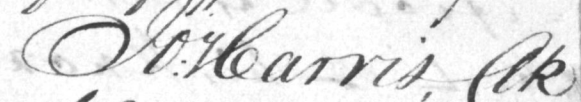
I hereby certify that William Kilgour came
before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace
for St. Marys County and being sworn
on the Holy Evangelist of a ^{true} thought, deposit
and faith that he saw Nathaniel
Washington's negro man Bill in the service
of the British army aiding and assisting
in carrying of Tobacco, ^{on the 26th of July 1814} and that the said
negro has not been seen nor heard of
since as he knows of. Given under my
hand and Seal this 18th day of May 1821

 Seal

Saint Marys County to wit:

I hereby certify that Priscoe Davis Gentleman,
before whom the aforesaid affidavits were taken and whose
name appears there to be subscribed, was at the time of so doing and still
is one of the Justices of the Peace of the State of Maryland for Saint
Marys County aforesaid duly Commissioned and qualified and that to
all whose acts as such, due faith and credit is and ought to be given
as well in Courts of Justice as otherwise.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the Seal of my Office this 19th
day of May 1821.


J. Harris, Clerk
St. Marys County Court.

William Higson

of
Washington

of
Depositions

Washington, 20th
Edwards, 20th
Md.

Maryland St. Mary's County to wit 7th Apr: 1815

Nathaniel Washington of said County
aged about fifty two years, being duly
sworn on the holy Evangelists of almighty
God, deposes and saith, That on or
about the 20th of July last, Capt. Nourse
landed with a considerable force,
at John C. Asheom's, and marched
from thence some miles from the river
to a barn wherein was deposited some
Tobacco belonging to Capt. William
Thilgou & others, which said barn
they burnt, & on their way from burning
said barn to the river - The Deponent
fell in with them at a Gate, where he
found five negroes, one his own, and
the others belonging to two of his neighbors.
He (the Deponent) asked his own fellow
what he was doing there, the fellow
replied that he had only come there
to see them (the British) the Deponent
then addressed himself to all the above
mentioned five negroes, and advised
them to return to their respective homes,
that if they went with the British, they
would be either carried to the West
Indies, or to the Spaniards, & sold, just
at this time an Officer stepped up and
told the negroes not to mind what he,
(the Deponent) said, viz, (says he) they are

as free as you are, and receive ten
Dollars per month for their services.
The aforesaid Officer went immedi-
ately, to Capt. Nourse, who was about
forty or fifty yards off, and Capt.
Nourse came to where the Deponent,
and aforesaid Negroes were, and
asked the Deponent what he had
said, the Deponent repeated the
language he had used, in the
presence of the other Officer. Capt.
Nourse replied, Sir, they are as free
as you are. Begone immediately.
On the 17th of the following month,
Adm^l Cochrane & Col Johnson
came to the Deponent's house and
carried him to Benedict, and while
there a Prisoner, a party of the British
came in, bringing with them a Negro
boy, wheat & Steers & some Cattle,
the property of Jesse Edwards - the
said Edwards came with them and
begged them to give him up his boy &
milk cows - Capt. King, who this
Deponent thinks commanded the
Admiral's ship, observed in the presence
of Adm^l Cochrane & this Deponent - that
he (Edwards) was a damned old
democraticalascal, and that he
should neither have boy or cattle
again - Adm^l Cochrane (pointing

to the Warehouse) said there was a
fine pen for the cattle & ordered them
to be drove in there - And further
this Deponent says to no.

Sworn to this date above

Before

Thos Barber (J.P.)

A list of property lost by Nathl. Washington of
the State of Maryland & taken away during
the late war between Great Britain & the United
States of America which was taken away &
destroyed by the forces of the former power

One negro fellow named William Carter who
was a shoe maker & a Carpenter valued at
five hundred dollars & happened his eye about
thirty years

Fifteen head of cattle valued at one hundred & fifty
dollars One feather head valued at thirty dollars

State of Maryland & Charles County to wit
On the 29th day of Jan^y 1828 personally appears Nathl.
Washington before the subscriber a Justice of the
peace in & for the County aforesaid & moving
the Hon^{ble} Evangelist of Almighty God that the above property
was lost & destroyed as above stated and at the same
appears William Kibourn & proved that he saw the
above property in possession of the British & taken
away by them & also appears Jo^{seph} M^{artin} Bolton
& prours that he ^{had proof to depose} ~~was~~ Carter in possession of
the British

Sworn before P. M. G. O. L. L.

Saint Mary's County Court:

I hereby Certify that R. Kilgour Gentleman before whom the within affidavit appears to have been made was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for Saint Mary's County duly Commissioned and sworn.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office this fifth day of February eighteen hundred and twenty eight.

J. H. Barris C.
St. Mary's County Court
Washington D.C.

W. A. Lawrence
Notary Public
Proof & Power of Attorney

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Nathaniel Washington

1 slave

May 22^d - 1828 - allow -
for one slave from Va.
@ \$200 - Int: res.

15th Mar: 1828

Taking proved.