

and for Dorchester County, personally appeared Anne Papp, who of our own knowledge we are satisfied is the identical person named and described as and professing to be the party Grantor within named and acknowledged the foregoing instrument of Writing to be her act and deed.  
Acknowledged before James Rea

Manumission } Be it remembered that the following Manumission was re-  
John Kirby } corded on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 1844, to wit:  
to }  
Sundry Negroes } To all whom it may concern. be it known that I John Kirby  
of Dorchester County in the State of Maryland for divers good  
causes and considerations me therunto moving, have released from  
slavery, manumitted liberated and set free and by these presents do hereby release  
from slavery liberate manumit and set free my Negroes as follows Viz,  
Negro Harriet being twenty four years of age on the fifth day of January  
last, the said Harriet to serve me until the fifth day of January Eighteen  
hundred and forty nine at which time she is to be free but in case of my  
death before her servitude as above expressed expires then and in that case  
the said Harriet to be free at my decease. Negro Abigail daughter of said  
Harriet being three years of age on the twenty second day of September Eighteen  
hundred and forty three to continue to serve me and my heirs until she shall  
attain the age of twenty five years then to be free. Also William Henry son  
of said Harriet being one year of age on the twenty ninth day of June last  
to serve me and my heirs until he shall attain the age of twenty five years  
then to be free and then the said Negroes above named I do declare to be free  
according to the time their respective servitude as above named shall expire  
manumitted and discharged from all manner of servitude or service to me  
my executors or administrators. forever. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand and affixed my seal this twenty ninth day of September in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three.

Signed, sealed & delivered }  
in the presence of }  
James Hammonsly - William Hooks. John Kirby Seal

Maryland, Dorchester County, to wit: on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three personally  
appears John Kirby party to the within instrument of Writing before me the  
subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland for the said County &  
acknowledges the same to be his act and deed for the purposes within mentioned &  
the Negroes within named to be manumitted and discharged from all service  
to him or to any claiming under him and to be free and manumitted ac-  
cording to the true intent and meaning of this instrument of Writing and  
according to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided.  
Acknowledged before James Hammonsly.

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