

State of Maryland, Dorchester County, to wit: on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 1844, before me, the Subscriber, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County and State, personally appeared William A. Sullivan and acknowledged the above Bill of sale or instrument of writing to be his act and deed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof. Acknowledged before  
Charles Cochran

State of Maryland } Be it remembered that the following Bond was recorded on the  
from Ex. } 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1844, to wit:  
William Crighton } Know all men by these presents that we William Crighton,  
William Rea, John R. Crighton and Sumiah C. Wright of  
Dorchester County, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full and just sum of fifteen thousand dollars current money of the United States, to be paid to the State of Maryland, to the which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves and every of us, our and every of our heirs, executors and administrators, in the whole and for the whole, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 22<sup>d</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four. The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden William Crighton shall well and faithfully discharge the duties of Treasurer of the Primary Schools of Dorchester County according to law, then the above obligation shall be void, otherwise it is to be and remain in full force and virtue in law.

Signed, Sealed & delivered }  
in the presence of }  
Chas. H. Hicks }  
Wm Crighton Seal  
William Rea Seal  
John R. Crighton Seal  
S. C. Wright Seal

Dorchester County, to wit:  
On the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April Anno Domini 1844, then came before me a Justice of the Peace in and for Dorchester County Thomas H. Hicks, the witness to the within Bond, and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that he saw William Crighton, William Rea, John R. Crighton and Sumiah C. Wright, the within obligors, sign the within Bond and acknowledge the same to be their act and deed according to the purport, true intent and meaning of the same, to the best of his knowledge. Attest by Charles Cochran Bond approved by the Commissioners. William Rea Clerk.

Manumission } Be it remembered that the following Manumission was re-  
Robert Parker } corded on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1844, to wit:  
to Ex. } To all whom it may concern, be it known, that I Robert Parker, of  
Samuel Anthony } Dorchester County in the State of Maryland, for diverse good causes and  
considerations, me therunto moving, as also in further consideration  
of one dollar current money, to me in hand paid, have released from Slavery, liberated,  
manumitted and set free, and by these presents do hereby release from slavery, liberate, man-  
umit and set free, my Negro Man named Samuel Anthony, being of the age of thirty five  
years, and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance, and him the  
said Negro Man, named Samuel Anthony, I do declare to be henceforth free, manumitted