and deed according to the true intent and meaning thereof and the acts of Assembly in such Case made and provided. Acknowledged before and certified by

Standley Richardson

Eben L. Short
Ex. from
Wm. T. Vickers

Be it remembered that the following Bill of Sale was recorded on the 23d day of December 1844, To Wit:
Know all men by these presents, that William T. Vickers of Dorchester County and State of Maryland, for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty three dollars lawful money of the United States, in hand paid by Eben L. Short at or before the sealing & delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged: Have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain & sell, unto the said Eben L. Short, his executors, administrators and assigns, one Negro Boy Dick aged about 21 years and formerly the property of William Short dec.d. – To have and to hold the said described Negro Boy Dick to the said Eben L. Short, his executors, administrators and assigns forever; And he the said William T. Vickers, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, the said Negro Boy Dick, unto the said Eben L. Short, his executors, administrators and assigns, against him the said William T. Vickers, executors and administrators, and against all and every other person or persons whatsoever, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of December eighteen hundred and forty four.

Delivered Sept. 5th 1846 to Eben L. Short

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of } W. T. Vickers (Seal)

Dorchester County Ss. Be it remembered that on this fourteenth day of December 1844, before the Subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, appears William T. Vickers and acknowledges the above instrument of writing to be his act and deed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof. Acknowledged before Beaunett Moore (Seal)

Manumission
Ann P. S. Vans
To Ex.
Sundry Negroes

Be it remembered that the following Manumission was recorded on the 25th day of December 1844, To Wit:
To all whom it may Concern, Be it remembered that I Ann Priscilla Smith Vans, of Dorchester County in the State of Maryland, for divers good causes and considerations me thereunto moving, do liberate and set free, from and after the date and time hereinafter mentioned, my two Negroes, Minty Dickinson and John Dickinson, that is to say, Minty Dickinson being twenty four years of age in September eighteen hundred and forty four, sound healthy and strong, to serve unto the twenty fifth day of [illegible] ber in the year eighteen hundred and fifty five & then be free, and John Dickinson aged twenty years in March eighteen hun-