

meaning thereof, and according to the acts of Assembly in such  
 case made and provided. Acknowledged before James Rea.

Elijah B. Stevens } Be it remembered that the following Bill of Sale was  
 Ex. from } recorded on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 1845, to wit:  
 Richard Stevens } Know all men by these presents that I Richard Stevens of  
 } Dorchester County in the State of Maryland, for and in  
 consideration of the sum of twelve hundred and twenty eight dollars & twelve  
cents, current money, to me in hand paid by Elijah B. Stevens of the said  
 county and state at and before the sealing and delivering of these presents, the  
 receipt whereof I the said Richard Stevens do hereby acknowledge, have  
 granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain & sell  
 unto the said Elijah B. Stevens, his Executors, administrators & assigns  
 all the goods and chattels herein after particularly mentioned, that is  
 to say, one Negro Woman Ann, one Boy Joseph, one Boy Samuel, one Boy  
 Lewin, one Negro Man Jonathaw, one Man Marsh, three head of Horses,  
 three Yoke of Oxen, two Carts, one Lij and Harness, one Loom, twenty  
 head of horned Cattle, fifteen sheep, twelve Hogs, five cutting Axes and  
 three Guns, all and singular which goods and Chattels are now remaining  
 standing and being in a certain Messuage or tenement situate in the said  
 County and now in the occupation of the said Elijah B. Stevens. To have  
 and to hold all and singular the said goods and Chattels and other the  
 premises above bargained and sold, or mentioned and intended so to be,  
 to the said Elijah B. Stevens, his executors, administrators and assigns  
 forever, and I the said Richard Stevens, for myself, my heirs, executors &  
 administrators, all and singular the said goods and Chattels and other  
 the premises, unto the said Elijah B. Stevens, his executors, administrators  
 and assigns, against me the said Richard Stevens, my executors and admin-  
 istrators, and against all and every other person or persons whatsoever,  
 shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents; of all and  
 singular which said goods and Chattels and other the premises, I the  
 said Richard Stevens have put the said Elijah B. Stevens in full possession  
 by delivering to him the said Elijah B. Stevens one Grey Horse at the  
 sealing and delivering of these presents in the name of the whole premises  
 hereby bargained and sold, or mentioned and intended to be so, unto him  
 the said Elijah B. Stevens as aforesaid. In Witness whereof I the  
 said Richard Stevens have set my hand and affixed my seal this the  
 fourteenth day of January in the Year of Our Lord one thousand  
 eight hundred and forty five.

Signed, sealed & delivered in the  
 presence of Nimrod Newton 3

Richard Stevens (Seal)