

Dorchester County, To wit: on the 21 day of April 1845, personally appeared before me the Subscriber, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County ~~and~~ aforesaid, John Muir and Algernon Thomas, and made the following Oath, To wit: We John Muir and Algernon Thomas, subscribing Witnesses to the above Bond, do make Oath that William Bell, Henry Bibby and John Parvin, obligors mentioned in the said Bond, did personally, in our presence, sign, seal and deliver the said Bond as their act and deed, for the purposes therein mentioned. Sworn before me on the day above mentioned
 Approved by the Commissioners, ~~John Muir~~ de Comptie
 April 21. 1845. Just William Rea Clerk C. D. C.

James Thompson }
 from Ex^r }
 Samuel M. Colleton }
 Be it remembered that the following Bill of Sale was recorded on the 23^d day of April 1845, To wit: Know all men by these presents that I Samuel M. Colleton, of Dorchester County in the State of Maryland, for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred dollars to me in hand paid by James Thompson of the County and State aforesaid, at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof I the said Samuel M. Colleton do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said James Thompson, his executors, administrators and assigns, a certain Negro Boy, Slave for life, named John Hardcastle, supposed to be about fourteen years of age. To have and to hold the said Negro Boy, slave, named John Hardcastle, above bargained and sold, or intended so to be, to the said James Thompson, his executors, administrators and assigns forever. And I the said Samuel M. Colleton, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, the said Negro Boy named John Hardcastle, as a Slave unto the said James Thompson, his executors, administrators and assigns, against me the said Samuel M. Colleton, my executors and administrators, and against all and every person and persons whatsoever, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twelfth day of April in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five.
 Just Nimrod Newton. Samuel M. Colleton (Seal)
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We the undersigned hereby relinquish all our right and interest in and to the above named Negro Boy unto James Thompson, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns. Witness our hands and seals this twelfth day of April Anno Domini 1845.

Just
 Nimrod Newton.

Henry W. Hicks (Seal)
 Martin M. Dean (Seal)