

of Assembly in such case made & provided: And I also further  
 Certify that at the same time John Hawkins, party Grantor in said  
 Mortgage, appeared before me and made Oath on the Holy Evangelly  
 of Almighty God that the Consideration mentioned in the said Mort-  
 gage is truly and bona fide due him to the best of his knowledge  
 and belief as therein specified. Acknowledged & sworn before  
 Noah Abbott J. P.

William L. Kearne } Be it remembered that the following Bill of  
 Ex. from v 70. } Sale was recorded on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1848.  
 Mr. B. Le Compte } Stamp  
 one dol  
 This Indenture made this 14<sup>th</sup> day  
 of August in the year eighteen hundred  
 and forty eight, between William B. Le Compte of Dorchester County &  
 State of Maryland, of the one part, and William L. Kearne of the  
 same State & County, of the other part. Witnesseth, that the said  
 William B. Le Compte, for and in consideration of the sum of  
 three hundred & fifty dollars, current money, in hand paid, at  
 and before the sealing & delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof  
 is hereby acknowledged, has bargained & sold unto the said  
 William L. Kearne, and by these presents do grant, bargain and  
 sell, release, convey & confirm, unto the said William L. Kearne,  
 his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, a negro Boy,  
 named Garrison, aged ~~eighteen~~ years & about six months, as  
 a slave for a term of ~~seven~~ years. And it is the express agreement,  
 meaning & understanding of the parties to this instrument of the  
 first and second part thereof, that the said Garrison is sold to  
 be the slave of, and to serve the said William L. Kearne until  
 he arrives at the age of forty one years, and then to be free.  
 To have and to hold the said Negro Boy Garrison, above described,  
 unto the said William L. Kearne, his heirs, executors, administrators  
 & assigns, for the term of years herein described. And the said William  
 B. Le Compte, before the sealing & delivery of these presents, have put  
 the said William L. Kearne in the full and complete possession  
 of the said Negro Boy. In testimony whereof we the said William  
 B. Le Compte, party of the first part, and William L. Kearne, party of  
 the second part, have hereunto set our hands & seals, on the day &  
 year first above written.  
 Signed, sealed & delivered in the  
 presence of Charles Cochran }  
 Mr. B. Le Compte party of first part  
 Mr. L. Kearne party of second part

Delivered to William L. Kearne the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 1856

State of Maryland, Dorchester County, Sct. Be it remembered and it  
 is hereby certified, that on this fourteenth day of August, in the  
 year eighteen hundred & forty eight, before the subscriber a Justice