

Forty dollars, current money, to us in hand paid by Francis Price of said County, before the delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we the said Thomas H. Hooper and Ezekiel W. Hooper have granted, bargained & sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain & sell, unto the said Francis Price, his heirs and assigns forever, a negro woman named Lydia, aged about fifty years and a slave for life, and now in our possession. To have and to hold the said Negro woman Lydia unto the said Francis Price his heirs and assigns forever, to his and their only use and benefit, and for no other use, intent or purpose whatsoever, against us the said Thomas H. Hooper and Ezekiel W. Hooper, and our heirs, and all persons whatsoever. In witness whereof the said Thomas H. Hooper and Ezekiel W. Hooper have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals this Eleventh day of November Eighteen hundred & forty eight.

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence of  
 Charles Cochran

Tho. H. Hooper (Seal)  
 E. W. Hooper (Seal)

Maryland &c. On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year 1848, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for the County and State aforesaid, personally appear Thomas H. Hooper and Ezekiel W. Hooper, parties grantor to the within and aforesaid Bill of Sale, and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, and delivered the same for the use and purposes therein mentioned — And on the same day & year aforesaid, personally appeared before me as aforesaid the before mentioned Francis Price, the party grantee in the aforesaid Bill of Sale, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the consideration mentioned in the within and aforesaid Bill of Sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth. Acknowledged and sworn before and certified by  
 Charles Cochran.

Bill of Sale del to Sam Higgins June 11<sup>th</sup> 1852

Rec'd December 8<sup>th</sup> 1848.  
 Samuel Higgins, December 2<sup>d</sup> 1848. Know all men by these presents  
 E. J. from \$75 } that I James W. Henry of the Town of Vienna in  
 James W. Henry } Dorchester County, Maryland, as Agent or Attorney for  
 Isaac Nevitt Stele of Baltimore City and State  
 aforesaid, for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred & twenty  
 five dollars, current money of the United States, to me in hand  
 paid by Samuel Higgins, of Dorchester County & State aforesaid, on  
 account and for the use of the aforesaid Isaac Nevitt Stele, at and  
 before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is  
 hereby acknowledged, have bargained, sold & delivered unto the said  
 Samuel Higgins, and by these presents do bargain, sell & deliver  
 unto the said Samuel Higgins, one Negro woman Esther to slave