

paid by Joann Howard of Dorchester County & State of Maryland, have granted, bargained & sold, and by their presents do grant, bargain & sell unto the said Joann Howard, his heirs & assigns, the following Negroes, to wit: Mary Ann to serve until the end of the year Eighteen hundred & seventy one, 1871, and Mingo Man Josiah or little Joe, to serve until the end of the year Eighteen hundred & sixty four, 1864, at which time he will be entitled to his freedom under the will of Jacob Howard, dec'd, and found in body & mind: To have and to hold the said Negro Woman Mary Ann to serve until the end of the year Eighteen hundred & seventy one, and Mingo Man Josiah or little Joe to serve until the end of the year Eighteen hundred & sixty four, 1864, at which time he will be entitled to his freedom as aforesaid, as above bargained & sold, unto the said Joann Howard, his heirs, executors, administrators & assigns, against me the said James Thompson, Executor of Mr. J. Howard and his and my heirs, executors & administrators, and against all & every other person or persons whatsoever, shall & will remain & forever defend. In testimony whereof I, James Thompson, Executor aforesaid, & Joann Howard have hereunto set their hands and affixed Seals this twenty fifth day of Feb^r Eighteen hundred & 50.

James Thompson, Ex^r of Mr. J. Howard
 Joann Howard

Sealed & delivered in the presence of Mr. W. LeCompte

Maryland, Dorchester County, B.Wil: On the twenty fifth day of February in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred & 50, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace in & for said County, the within named James Thompson, Executor of Mr. J. Howard, and Joann Howard, and acknowledge the within Bill of sale to be true & valid, according to the purport, true intent & meaning of the same, and at the same time came before me, Joann Howard within mentioned, and made oath on the Holy Evangelly of Almighty God, that the consideration set forth in this Bill of sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth, according to the true meaning of the Act of Assembly of 1846, Chapter 271, made & provided.

Acknowledge before Charles Lockman.

Rec^d. March 8th 1850 one dollar in lieu of a stamp on this Bill of Sale.

Edwin C. Medford
 Samuel S. LeCompte Adm^r

Be it remembered and it is hereby Certified that the following Bill of Sale was recorded on the 11th day of March 1850 to wit: I know all men by their presents, that I Samuel S. LeCompte of Dorchester County, Administrator of Amy Cook late of said County deceased for and in Consideration of the Sum of One hundred and fifty One Dollars Current Money to me in hand paid Or Secured to be paid by Edwin C. Medford of Dorchester County in the State of Maryland have granted bargained and sold and by their presents do grant bargain and sell negro girl Caroline unto the said Edwin C. Medford his executors & administrators and assigns, the said

Delivered to Edw. C. Medford of 24 1852.