

Anna Hooper, Thomas H. Williams and Eliza his wife for ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, all and singular the said negro boy Davey Kennard, unto the said Howard Johnson his heirs executors, administrators and assigns against us, the said Ann E. Hooper, Sarah Hooper, Anna Hooper, Thomas H. Williams and Eliza his wife our executors and administrators, and against all and every other person and persons whatsoever, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents.

In witness whereof, the said Ann E. Hooper, Sarah Hooper, Anna Hooper, Thomas H. Williams and Eliza Williams his wife, have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals this second day of October Eighteen Hundred and fifty four

Signed, sealed, & delivered  
in the presence of

Wm. Barrow Robert H. Robertson

Ann E. Hooper  
Sarah Hooper  
Anna Hooper  
Thos. H. Williams  
Eliza Williams

State of Maryland, Dorchester County, to wit. Be it remembered, that on this second day of October Eighteen Hundred and fifty four, before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Dorchester County aforesaid, personally appeared Ann E. Hooper, Sarah Hooper, Anna Hooper, Thomas H. Williams and Eliza Williams his wife, party grantors in the within and foregoing Bill of Sale or instrument of writing and severally and respectively did sign seal and acknowledge the said Bill of Sale or instrument to be their severally prospective acts and deeds, and the said Eliza Williams wife of the said Thomas H. Williams and out of the presence and hearing of her said husband did appear before me and sign, seal execute and acknowledge the within instrument of writing to be her act and deed, and being by me privately examined apart from and out of the presence and hearing of her said husband whether she does sign, seal, execute and acknowledge the said instrument of writing voluntarily and freely and without being induced to do so by fear or threats of or ill usage by her husband or fear of his displeasure, the said Eliza Williams wife of the said Thomas H. Williams acknowledges that she does sign, seal execute and acknowledge the same willingly and freely and without being induced to do so by fear or threats of or ill usage by her said husband or fear of his displeasure, and I do further Oathly I am satisfied of my own knowledge that the said Ann E. Hooper, Sarah Hooper, Anna Hooper, Thomas H. Williams and Eliza Williams his wife who are named and described as, and who profess to be the party grantors in the said Bill of Sale or instrument of writing, are the same persons who are named and described therein and who executed and acknowledged the same before me. At the same time personally appeared the Justice of the Peace as aforesaid, Howard Johnson party grantee within mentioned, and made Oath on the Holy Evangelij of almighty God, that the consideration set forth in the foregoing Bill of Sale, is true and bona fide as therein set forth.

Acknowledged and sworn before Robert H. Robertson

Received the 2 day of October 1854 of Howard Johnson the sum of One Dollar in lieu of a stamp on this Bill of Sale Francis J. Henry Clerk

Eliza Akeman } Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that the following Bill of Sale was received  
from } and recorded on the 3 day of October 1854 to wit:

James Akeman Know all men by these presents that James Akeman of Dorchester County and State of Maryland for and in Consideration of the sum of fifty Dollars current money to me in hand paid by Eliza Akeman before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof I the said James Akeman do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold unto the said Eliza Akeman her heirs executors and Administrators, all the Crop of Corn now growing on the farm where the said Eliza Akeman now lives and the Blade and tops fodder on said farm to have and to hold the said described property to the said Eliza Akeman her... Executors Administrator and assigns forever and I the said James Akeman, for myself my heirs executors and administrators, the aforesaid Crop of Corn and Blade fodder and tops fodder to the said Eliza Akeman her executors Administrators and assigns against me the said James Akeman my Executors, Administrators and against all and every person or persons whatsoever, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents