

John D. Parker
 From
 David Ross
 Be it remembered and it is hereby certified, that the following Indenture was received and recorded on the 25th day of May 1857, to wit:
 In Dorchester County Orphans' Court, David Ross a negro boy of the age of six years the ninth day of February, last past, being brought into Court: and it being represented to the Court that the said David Ross, is not at service or learning a trade or employed in the service of his parents, and that he is without means sufficient for his maintenance or support; and the Court being satisfied that said representation is true; and believing also that it would greatly conduce to the good of the said Child that he should be put to learn some trade or useful business.

The said David Ross, is therefore on this twenty fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven, bound as an apprentice by John M. Hodson, Yaddock M. Rosse and Gevin Jones, Justices of the Orphans' Court for Dorchester County, to John D. Parker, until he the said David Ross, shall arrive to the age of twenty one years, under the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed December Session 1839, Chapter 35, and the said John D. Parker, being here present in Court, agrees to take the said David Ross, as an apprentice, until he shall arrive to the said age: And the said John D. Parker, doth also on his part acknowledge himself bound, and by these presents doth contract, promise and agree to teach the said apprentice, the trade of a Printer, and to supply him with suitable clothing and maintenance during his apprenticeship, and when free to give him Fifteen Dollars and two suits of clothes, as freedom dues. And the said John D. Parker doth further contract, promise and agree to give said apprentice in lieu of education, the sum of Twenty Dollars, when free, in addition to the freedom dues above required to be given

In Witness Whereof, we hereunto subscribe our names and affix our seals to this Indenture, this twenty fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

Signed, sealed and delivered
 in the presence of

E. M. LeCompte

John M. Hodson
 Y. M. Rosse
 Gevin Jones
 John D. Parker
 Justices of the Orphans Court for Dorchester County

Delivered to John D. Parker the 29th August 1857

John D. Parker
 From
 Benjamin Ross
 Be it remembered and it is hereby certified, that the following Indenture was received and recorded on the 25th day of May A.D. 1857, to wit:
 In Dorchester County, Orphans Court, Benjamin Ross, a negro boy of the age of Eight years the tenth day of December last past, being brought into Court: and it being represented to the Court that the said Benjamin Ross, is not at service or learning a trade or employed in the service of his parents, and that he is without means sufficient for his maintenance or support; and the Court being satisfied that said representation is true; and believing also that it would greatly conduce to the good of the said Child that he should be put to learn some trade or useful business. - The said Benjamin Ross is therefore on this twenty fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven, bound as an apprentice by John M. Hodson, Yaddock M. Rosse and Gevin Jones, Justices of the Orphans' Court for Dorchester County, to John D. Parker, until he the said Benjamin Ross, shall arrive to the age of twenty one years; and the said John D. Parker being here present in Court, agrees to take the said Benjamin Ross as an apprentice, until he shall arrive to the said age: And the said John D. Parker, doth also on his part ac =

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