

On the 21<sup>st</sup> February 1859 There came before me the Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland Isaac M. Keel and he acknowledged the bill of sale to be his act & deed,  
William Keel J.P.

Josiah Kerr } Be it remembered and it is hereby certified  
from } that the following bill of sale was executed & recorded at the  
John W. Hopkins } 18<sup>th</sup> February 1859 to wit: J. John W. Hopkins of  
Dorchester County, State of Maryland in Con- sideration of six hundred and fifty dollars paid me by Josiah Kerr of the County & State of aforesaid do hereby bargain & sell to the said Josiah Kerr, my negro slaves, viz, Susan Cornish and infant Baychila of age about two years, both slaves for life Witness my hand and seal this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1859.  
Geo. A. L. Smith J.P. John W. Hopkins Seal

Dorchester County State of Maryland I. Henry certify that, <sup>that</sup> on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1859 being the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the month of February A.D. 1859 I personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of aforesaid & State of aforesaid John W. Hopkins and he acknowledged <sup>that</sup> the foregoing bill of sale to be his act. Then also at the same time & place personally appeared Josiah Kerr, the vendee therein named who made oath on the Holy Evangelys of Almighty God that the consideration therein named is true and bona fide as therein set forth. I also saw and acknowledged before me the Subscriber on the day and year first above mentioned.  
Geo. A. L. Smith J.P.

Recd. to John W. Hopkins Nov 13 1859

John W. Hopkins } Be it remembered and it is hereby certified  
from } that the following Receipt was executed & recorded  
Joseph E. Smith } the 18<sup>th</sup> February 1859 to wit,  
Received February 5<sup>th</sup> 1859 of John W. Hopkins the sum of six hundred & fifty dollars in full for the purchase money of negro woman Susan Cornish and Baychila & infant slaves for life and hereby servant - the title to be and the negro woman in Body & mind  
Geo. A. L. Smith J.P. Joseph E. Smith

Lavinia Conaway } Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that  
from } the following bill of sale was executed & recorded at the  
Menas Conaway } 16<sup>th</sup> February 1859 to wit: J. Menas Conaway  
of Dorchester County in the State of Maryland in Con- sideration of one hundred and eighty four dollars paid me by Lavinia Conaway of the County & State of aforesaid