

Delivered October 20th 1853 To Alward Johnson

Alward Johnson
 from: ✓
 John Griffith

Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that the following Bill of Sale, was received and recorded on the 27th day of April 1853 to wit: Know all men by these presents, that I, John Griffith of the City of Baltimore and State of Maryland, for and in consideration of the sum of Two Hundred and seventy five Dollars, Current money of Maryland to me in hand, paid by Alward Johnson of Dorchester County and State, before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said John Griffith has granted, bargained and sold conveyed and transferred and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell, convey and transfer unto the said Alward Johnson, his heirs and assigns forever, one negro Woman Polly aged sixteen years with her infant female child slaves for life, and now in the possession of the said Alward Johnson. Do Have and Do Hold, the above described Negro Woman Polly, and her infant child unto the said Alward Johnson, his heirs and assigns forever, and to and for no other intent or purpose whatsoever against me the said John Griffith and my heirs and against all persons whatsoever claiming the said Negro Woman Polly and child, will warrant and defend by these presents. In Testimony Whereof the said John Griffith has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal, this twenty seventh day of April, Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
 A. W. Tyler

John Griffith 

The State of Maryland Dorchester County to wit: Be it remembered and it is hereby Certified, that on the twenty seventh day of April, in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three, personally appeared John Griffith the party grantor in the above and aforesaid Bill of Sale, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and delivered the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and on the same day before and as aforesaid, personally appeared Alward Johnson, grantee named in the aforesaid Bill of Sale, and made Oath on the Holy Evangelij of Almighty God, that the considerations mentioned in the aforesaid Bill of Sale is true and bonifide as therein set forth. Acknowledged and Sworn before
 A. W. Tyler.

1853 April 27th Received of Alward Johnson, One Dollar in lieu of a stamp on this Bill of Sale.
 Francis J. Henry Clerk.

Sold to James M. Carroll Dec 17th 1853

James M. Carroll
 from: ✓
 Thomas Breewood
 Exec. of James Moore

Be it remembered and it is hereby Certified that the following Bill of Sale, was received and recorded on the 2nd day of May 1853 to wit: Know all men by these presents, that I, Thomas Breewood Executor of James Moore Decd. of Dorchester County, and State of Maryland, for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred and eleven Dollars and twenty five Cents, Current money, to me in hand, paid by James M. Carroll of Dorchester County and State of Maryland, at and before the sealing and delivering of these presents, the receipt whereof, I the said Thomas Breewood Executor aforesaid, do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold at Public Sale, and by these presents, do grant, bargain & sell, unto the said James M. Carroll, his Executors, administrators and assigns, Negro Woman Sophia, to serve twenty years from the 1st day of January, eighteen hundred & fifty eight past, as by the said Will of James Moore will more fully appear.