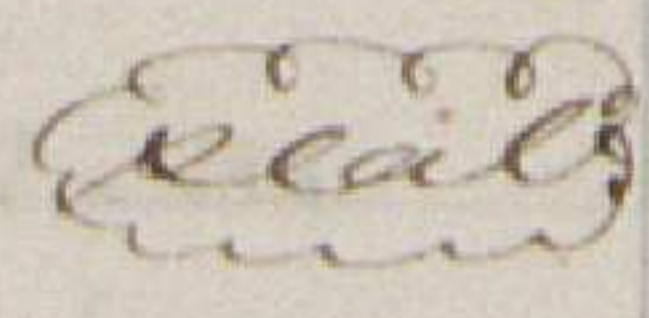


do hereby release from slavery, liberate, manumit and set free my negro slave, Benjamin Allen Chew, aged twenty eight years or thereabouts, and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance, and him the said Benjamin Allen Chew, I do declare to be henceforth free, manumitted and discharged from all manner of service for servitude to me, my executors or administrators forever, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal on this twenty second day of December, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty five, signed, sealed and delivered

in presence of us, } George W. Dobbin 
 R. A. Dobbin Jr. }
 George L. Dobbin }

State of Maryland, ss
 Howard County, to wit, on this twenty second day of December, eighteen hundred and fifty five, before me the subscriber a justice of the Peace of the state aforesaid, in and for the county aforesaid, personally appeared George W. Dobbin and acknowledged the within Instrument of writing to be his act and deed,

Ms. J. Worthington J. P.
 Received on the foregoing Instrument of writing when presented for record one dollar in lieu of stamp under the Act of 1846 Ch 61.

W. H. Worthington Clerk,
 Received to be recorded on the 26th day of December 1855, same day recorded and examined per
 W. H. Worthington Clerk,

I, Clark Atkinson } Know all men by these pres-
 Bill of sale to } ents, that I Samuel Clark
 L. Corryell Ward, } Atkinson of Howard County, ss
 In trust, } in the state of Maryland, am
 justly indebted unto Samuel
 Champion of the District of Columbia in the sum of two hundred dollars, with interest from December Anno Domini 1850, or thereabout, Now therefore, for and in consideration of one dollar by Louis Corryell Ward