

liberated manumitted and set free my negro man named  
Besar and Toby Bins and my negro women Jane Davis  
Rachel Hobbs and Susan all under forty five years of age  
unable to work and your insufficient livelihood and  
maintenance and them the said negroes I do declare to be  
henceforth free manumitted and discharged from all manner  
of service or servitude to me my executors or administrators for  
ever. In Witness whereof I have written this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March in  
the year 1854 herunto set my hand and seal

Witness James H. Murray }  
Jas. Cheston } Seal

and the back of this foregoing was thus written to wit

James Annual County Jct. on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 1854  
personally appeared Samuel Cheston before the undersigned  
a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and  
acknowledged the foregoing deed or instrument of writing  
to be his act and deed according to the true intent and  
meaning thereof and the acts of assembly in such case made  
and promised acknowledgment before

James H. Murray

Recd  
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Recorded the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1854

Witness all men by these presents that I Samuel  
Pitney of said State being the State of Maryland for  
divers good causes and in consideration of the services  
heretofore rendered unto me by my negro man Sam Weston  
and also from the said liberated manumitted and set  
free and by these presents do here by release from all way  
liberate manumitted and set free my negro man named  
Sam Weston being of the age of twenty seven years and able  
to work and your insufficient livelihood and maintenance  
and them the said negroes manumitted Sam Weston I do  
declare to be henceforth free manumitted and discharged from  
all manner of servitude or service to me my executors or  
administrators for ever. In Testimony whereof I have  
written,