

County of Annapolis  
in the year 1855 personally appear Baltasar S. de Ray party to the  
written instrument funding before me the subscriber a Justice of the  
peace of the state of Maryland for the County of Annapolis and  
acknowledges the same to be her act and deed for the purposes  
within mentioned and the negroes within named to be manumitted  
and discharged from all services to her or to any claiming  
under her, and to be free and manumitted from and after the  
periods therein mentioned according to the Act of Assembly  
in such case made and provided and I hereby certify that I  
am satisfied of my own knowledge that the said Baltasar S.  
de Ray the party grantor in the foregoing deed is the identical  
person named and described therein

Jno. G. Taylor

Recorded the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1855.

In all which it may concern be it known that J. Sophia M. Brier  
of the City of Philadelphia for divers good causes and considerations  
me thereto moving, as also in further consideration of one dollar  
to me in hand paid, have released from slavery liberated  
manumitted and set free and by these presents do hereby release  
from slavery liberate manumit and set free from and after the  
thirtieth day of September in the year eighteen hundred and seventy  
seven when he will be twenty five years of age my negro boy  
Charles Henry son of my negro woman Hannah Simpson  
and unto the said Charles I do declare to be from the said  
30<sup>th</sup> September in the year 1877 free manumitted and discharged  
from all manner of servitude or service to me my executors  
or administrators forever. In testimony whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this fifteenth  
day of August in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and  
fifty five

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of J. S. M. Brier  
Ellen B. Stalker. Jno. Redout

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