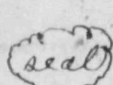
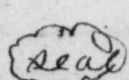


that he was twenty eight years of age, or thereabouts, on the seventh day of August last past, about five feet eight inches and a half high, of a brown complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County and has a scar of a cut on his chin, and another scar nearly in a range with the outer corner of his right eye and another scar on the left side of his head, and no other notable mark or scar that I have observed. In Testimony whereof I hereto

 subscribe my name and affix the public seal of my office this 23^d day of December anno Domini 1826 —

John Richardson Clerk of
Caroline County Court

State of Maryland, Caroline County, to wit: Whereas application hath been made to me by a coloured man, named Elyas Stanton for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to the act of assembly in such case made and provided by which said act free negroes and molattoes are permitted to travel out of this State upon the obtaining of a certificate of being free born; and whereas also upon the oath of James Johnson of Caroline County that the said Coloured man named Elyas Stanton for whom this certificate is made was free born I do therefore grant his said application and hereby certify that he was about ~~thirty~~ twenty six years of age the fourth day of May last past, about five feet five and a half inches high of a brown complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County and has a scar of a cut perpendicular on the middle of his forehead, & another scar on the outer corner of his right eye brow and another long scar of a cut lying thwise on the top of his left foot, and no other notable mark or scar that I have observed. In Testimony whereof I hereto

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State of Maryland, Caroline County, to wit: Whereas heretofore to wit on the Tenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and five a certain Thomas Cooper of Caroline County by Deed of Manumission duly executed acknowledged and recorded among the Land records of Caroline County did manumit and set free a certain negro boy named James to be free on the Twenty fifth day of December Eighteen hundred and twenty six and the said negro boy now a man named James having made application to me for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to the act of assembly in such case made and provided, and whereas also upon the oath of John Cooper of Caroline County