

Kent-County Act: On this 21st June 1856 personally appeared Thomas Chaires of Queen Anns County before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace for Kent County and Made oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God that he is acquainted with Julia Capson formerly Julia Freeman the Mother of Samuel Freeman and Simon Freeman, that the said Julia Freeman was a free woman before the birth of her said two children and that the said boys Sam & Simon whom this Defendant Deponent has just now seen, and whom he identifies were born of a free woman as aforesaid, that Sam has resided in Kent-County from about 8 to 9 years and Simon about from _____ years.

sworn before -

James Graves

Simon Joseph Freeman is five feet two inches high black complexion & has a scar on back part of his thumb of the left hand and is now about thirty four years of age. Samuel Thomas Freeman is five feet one inch high & black complexion and is now thirty four years of age.

Filed recorded & certificates issued June 21st 1856 by
J. F. Gordon clrk.

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Kent-County

I hereby certify that a Negro Man named Pere Vilghman now present and applying for a certificate of freedom is the child of Negro woman Hannah who was Manumitted by Richard S Thomas on the 19th day of March 1844 in which Manumission the children of the said Hannah born after the date of said Manumission was to be free from & after they respectively arrive to the age of twenty one years, I now certify that the said Perry is at this time more than twenty one years of age and is the child of the said Hannah. The said Negro Perry is now about thirty three years of age.

July 10th 1856

H. M. Thomas