

proved in my Office on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August Eighteen hundred and twenty two, a certain Negro Man named Pere, aged abouts thirty years, five feet six inches in height, complexion black, well made and likely, a small scar on or near the first joint of the first finger of his left hand, a scar on the end of the little finger of his left hand and had good teeth, was manumitted and set free - His freedom to commence at the decease of the said Wm<sup>o</sup> Simmonds - His person identified by the Oath of a certain Samuel E Baker

Given under my hand and the seal of my Office this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February Anno Domini Eighteen hundred and twenty seven  
 Tho. Beale J<sup>r</sup> Clerk  
 for Queen Anns County



State of Maryland, Queen Anns County To wits

Whereas Application had been made to me by a certain Negro Man named James, for a certificate of freedom, under an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at Nov Session 1805 - I do therefore certify to all persons whom it doth or may concern, that by the late Will and Testaments of a certain Wm<sup>o</sup> Simmonds executed on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of November Eighteen hundred and fifteen, and proved in my Office on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August Eighteen hundred and twenty two - a certain Negro Man named James aged abouts twenty eight years five feet six inches and a quarter in height, dark complexion, a small scar on the upper part of his left wrist, a small scar near the corner of his right eye, and a good set of teeth, was manumitted and set free - His freedom to commence at the decease of the said Wm<sup>o</sup> Simmonds His person identified by the Oath of a certain Saml E Baker - Given under my hand and the