

State of Maryland

On this 27th day of June 1858
before me the undersigned a Justice of the
Peace of the said State in & for Harford
County personally appeared Samuel
Amos & solemnly sincerely & truly declared
& affirmed that Negro Laertes Preston, ^{now appearing for a man} _{to be}
said Negro & was born free, that he is
about 23 years of age & was born of Negro
Evelina Preston who was also born
free said Evelina having been served
her time as an Apprentice with de-
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affirm. Before me

J. Jordan