"the above named Negroes should die in the United States or refuse"
"to go to Africa, nevertheless all or any of their children or decendants"
"are hereby made free to go to Africa at any time they may please,"
"with the above restrictions, that is after serving an apprenticeship"
"as before stated for all children over five years of age." –

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true Extract taken from the Original filed and remaining in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore County,

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of my Office this Twenty sixth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty. –

Test: D. M. Perine, Register of Wills for Baltimore County.

In the Last Will and Testament of Elijah Merryman deceased, bearing date the twenty fifth day of March in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty and proven and recorded in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore County on the fourth day of June in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty, are the following clauses, viz

"Item. I give my daughter Penelope Merryman one Negro"
"Girl called Henretar to be free at the age of forty five."
"Item. I give my daughter Sarah Merryman one Negro"
"Girl called Clarissa to be free at the age of forty five."
"Item. I give my Son Nicholas H. Merryman one Negro boy"
"called Lewis by giving up Abraham to be free if he should come"
"home. – Item. I give my Son John H. Merryman one Negro"
"man called Nathan to be free at the age of forty five, also one"
"Negro woman called Ulrieth for life."

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true Extract taken from the Original filed and remaining in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore County,

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of my Office this Third day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty. –

Test: D. M. Perine, Register of Wills for Baltimore County. –

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