Clerks office Fredk Md, Novbr 13th 1844

In Compliance with an act of Assembly Session 1831, Chap 281, The Clerk of Frederick County Court, Returns to the board of Managers; the following Extract, of a Manumission, Recorded in his office, since last Return; viz:

Ruth Maynard
to
Mary Davis / negroe

Manumission, Dated 11 November 1844, & Recorded, 12th Same Month &

By which is henceforth released from Slavery, Manumittes & Discharged, from all manner of Service, the said Negroe Woman Mary Davis; aged about 32 years, and able to Work, & gain a Sufficient livelihood & Maintenance — no Description given — parties reside in Frederick county &

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto Subscribed my name, & affixed the Seal of Frederick County Court, this 13th Day of November 1844 &

Henry Schley Clk
Fredk County Court

In the last Will and Testament of Mary Barron deceased bearing date the Eleventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four and proven and recorded in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore County on the twelfth day of November in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty four, are the following Clauses, viz:

"I leave my Negro woman Ann Richardson to be free and dis-
"charged from all servitude to any person whatsoever. I give
"and bequeath to Samuel Barnes Leakin my Negro boy James
"Richardson until he shall arrive at the age of twenty five
"years, at which time he shall be free. — He must be brought
"up a Catholic and taught to read; and when he shall have arri-
"ved at the age of nine years, he shall thereafter be sent once a
"month to a Priest for instruction. When free the said Samuel
"Barnes Leakin shall supply him with two new suits of clothes
"one for Sunday and one for every day's use." Should Samuel
"Barnes Leakin die before the said James shall have arrived at
"the age of twenty five years, and leave no wife or child, the said
"James shall in that event be the property of Mrs. Margaret
"Leakin on the conditions before mentioned until he shall be twen-
"ty five years of age". I give and bequeath to Samuel Barnes
"now Editor of the Baltimore Clipper, my negro boy Charles,
"forever until he shall have arrived at twenty five years of age
"at which period he shall be free. — He must be brought up a
"Catholic and taught to read, and shall on arriving at nine
"years of age be thereafter sent once in each month to a priest
"for instruction. — When free he shall be supplied by the said
"Samuel Barnes with two suits of new Clothes one for Sunday
"and one for common use." / James Richardson was born on the first day of March eighteen hundred and thirty eight, and

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