"their descendants from generation to generation shall be free - males"
"at the age of Twenty five, and females at the age of Twenty one"
"years - but neither she nor any of her descendants shall be sold or"
"disposed of out of the State except for some offence committed"
"against the laws thereof."

And in the third Codicil to his said last Will and Testament bearing date the thirteenth day of December in the year Eighteen hundred and forty one, and proven and recorded on the thirty first day of March in the year Eighteen hundred and forty five is the following clause, viz:

"I James Mosher, the Testator named in the foregoing Will do"
"by these presents which I declare to be a third Codicil to said"
"Will liberate, manumit and release from slavery and bondage"
"my negro woman named Margaret: her emancipation to take"
"effect at the expiration of six months from the time of my decease"
"and I give to the said Margaret the sum of Twenty Dollars"
"to be then paid to her by my Executors and Trustees, hereby revoking"
"the disposition made of the said Margaret, and the provision"
"for her in and by my aforesaid Will - which Will and the former"
"Codicils thereto, except so far as the said Will is altered or changed"
"by the present instrument, are hereby republished and declared to be"
"valid. -"

For Testimony that the aforegoing are true Extracts 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 second day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five. -

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

"That she wished her old negro woman Sarah to be set free -"

I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from the nuncupative will of Mary Ellen Drury late of Saint Mary's County deceased. as recorded in the last will and testament of the said Mary Ellen Drury by order of the Orphans Court of Saint Mary's County the 8 day of April 1845.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & affix the seal of St Mary's County Orphans Court this 11th day of April 1845.

G. Combs Regr. of Wills for St Mary's County

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