Solomon Stevens free negro
of Queen Anns County
Maryland

To

Negroes Hester, aged 26 years
Elijah Ann . . 7
Angeline . . 4
Wesley . . 1.

Deed Manumission dated
19 July 1847. to be free immediately.

True Extract John Bilyeu and Co
of
Queen Anns Co Md

In the last Will and Testament of Prudence Howard deceased, bearing date the day of 1847 and proven and recorded in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore County on the tenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, is the following Clause, viz:

"I give the furniture and all the personal property on my said farm"
"to my said four Sons equally to be divided among them, except my"
"Silver Plate and China Ware which I give to my two daughters"
"Elizabeth Post and Sophia Norris for their sole and separate use,"
"and except also my Negro woman Semima (or Mima) aged"
"about 34 years and (black) Betsy aged about 28 years, whom I"
"hereby manumit from the time of my death, provided however,"
"they shall continue to live with my Son George (if he shall desire"
"them so to do) for three years, he paying Mima forty eight Dollars"
"a year, and Betsy thirty six Dollars a year."

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 August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven. –

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

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