In the last Will and Testament of Frederick Honig late of the City of Baltimore deceased bearing date the twenty first day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & and fifty three and proved and recorded in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore City on the nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three as the following clause, viz:-

"Item, It is my will and desire that my Slave Robert Jones shall serve my Wife Maria Honig for the period of three months after my death and then to be free, and I do hereby liberate, manumit and set free the said Robert Jones, from and immediately after the expiration of the said period of three months from the time of my decease; and I give and bequeath to the said Charles McMayon of Lewis and Thomas B. Fitzgerald and the survivor of them and the executors, administrators and assigns of the survivor, the sum of three hundred dollars, in Trust to be invested by them, for the benefit of the said Robert, or at their option to give him the said sum of three hundred dollars immediately upon his being set free."

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 City.

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of my Office this twenty sixth day of October in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty three

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Be it remembered that on this 21st day of November in the year of Our Lord, Eighteen hundred and fifty three, the following Deed of Manumission was received to be recorded, & is accordingly, enrolled as follows to wit:-

To all whom it may concern, let it known that I, Jonathan Ozment of Talbot County in the State of Maryland, for divers good causes and considerations, me thereunto moving, have released from Slavery, liberated, manumitted and set free, and by these presents do hereby release from Slavery, liberate, manumit, and set free my Negro Woman named Milly Banks, being of the age of thirty years, and able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintenance, her freedom to commence and take effect from and after the first day of January Eighteen hundred and fifty four; also her son Cyrus Banks, who was ten years of age in June last, his freedom to commence and take effect when he shall arrive at the age of thirty five years; and them the said Negro Woman Milly Banks, and her son Cyrus Banks, I do declare to be free, manumitted, and discharged, from and after the times above specified, from all manner of service or servitude to me, my heirs, Executors, or administrators forever.-

In Witness whereof I hereto set my hand and affix my seal this Twenty first day of November, in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three.

Jonathan Ozment (Seal)

Signed Sealed and delivered — " —
in presence of Thomas J. Clark — " —
" Saml. T. Hopkins "

State of Maryland } Be it remembered that on
Talbot County, to wit, } this Twenty first day of November, in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three, before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace of of the said State, in and for the County aforesaid, personally appears Jonathan Ozment, party grantor named in the aforegoing Deed

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