and condition under which the present laws of this State would allow Said increase to be manumitted.

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 twentieth day of February in the year our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty five

Test: V. Hickman Register of Wills for Baltimore City

Extract from the Last Will & Testament of Margaret B. Blackwell, deceased, Admitted to probat by the Register of Wills of Washington County, on the 15th day of March AD 1855.

"

I will & fully set free my slaves, Sally, Patsy, Lucy, Mary Ellen, George, Ell Catharine and Charles, and forever manumit them.

" I will & bequeath to Sally one hundred Dollars, to be paid to her by my Executor as he may judge right and proper for her comfort and welfare.

" I will and bequeath to Patsy Two hundred Dollars, to be paid to her by my Executor, as he may judge right and proper for her comfort and welfare."

State of Maryland, Washington County, to Wit:

In testimony that the above are true extracts from the original last Will and Testament of Margaret B. Blackwell, deceased, of record and remaining on file in my office

I James Mason, Register of Wills for Washington County, do hereunto set my hand, and affix the seal of my office, this 16th day of March AD 1855.

James Mason.

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