

State of Maryland, Caroline County to wit; Whereas heretofore to wit on the eighth day of February 1814. a Certain William Parrott of Caroline County by Deed of Manumission duly executed acknowledged and recorded, among the Land records of Caroline County, did manumit and set free a Certain negro woman named Patty to be free from and after the first day of January 1831. reserving to himself a right and power, over the increase of the said Patty, during the term of her servitude, ~~if~~ ^{male of the} until such male shall respectively attain the age of twenty five years; And application being made to me by Andrew Groce (being one of the issue of the aforesaid Patty) for a Certificate of his freedom agreeably to the act of Assembly in such case made and provided; And Whereas also upon the oath of William F. Clifton of Caroline County aforesaid, that the said negro man named Andrew Groce is the issue of the said negro woman named Patty and mentioned in said Manumission, and that said negro man named Andrew Groce is now free. I do therefore grant his said application and hereby Certify that from his own account he is now about thirty one years of age, five feet three and a quarter inches high or thereabouts of a dark chestnut complexion, was born and raised in Caroline County, and has a scar over his left eye, and has no other notable marks or scars that I have observed. —

In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Caroline County Court, this 15th day of August 1846.

James H. Fountain Clerk of
Caroline County Court

State of Maryland, Caroline County to wit; Whereas heretofore to wit, on the thirty first day of March Eighteen Hundred and Nineteen a Certain William Clifton of Caroline County, by Deed of Manumission duly executed acknowledged and recorded among the Land records of Caroline County, did among other things manumit and set free a Certain negro Boy named Thomas (now calling