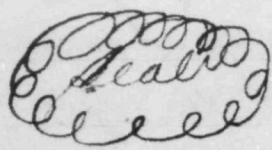


State of Maryland, Caroline County to wit, Whereas application hath been made to me by a negro man named Curtis Thomas for a certificate of his freedom agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such case made and provided, by which said acts free negroes and mulattoes are permitted to travel out of this State upon the obtention of a certificate of being free born; and Whereas also upon the oath of Henry Bowdell of Caroline County aforesaid that the said negro man named Curtis Thomas for whom this Certificate is made was free born, I do therefore grant his said application and hereby certify that from his own account he is now about twenty three years of age five feet nine inches high or thereabouts was born in Dorchester and raised in Caroline County and has a small scar of a cut on his forehead and another scar on the right side of his neck occasioned by a gathering, and his complexion black, and has no other notable marks or scars that I have observed.



In Testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Caroline County Court this 29th day of March A.D. 1848.

James H. Fountain Clerk

of Caroline County Court

Maryland Caroline County to wit Whereas application hath been made to me by a negro woman named Mary Jane Wright for a certificate of her freedom agreeably to the acts of assembly in such case made and provided by which said acts free negroes & mulattoes are permitted to travel out of this State upon the obtention of a certificate of being free born, and Whereas also upon the oath of Eleanah Willson of Caroline County aforesaid that the said negro woman named Mary Jane Wright for whom this Certificate is made was free born I do therefore grant her said application and hereby certify that from her own account she is now about eighteen years of age five feet one inch high or thereabouts was born & raised in Caroline County and has a small scar of a cut on the left wrist also one small do on the middle joint of the forefinger of the left hand of a dark Chesnut complexion and has no other notable marks or scars that I have observed In Testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of Caroline County Court this 15th day of April A.D. 1848

James H. Fountain Clerk of Caroline County Court