

Suffolk County *¶* Whereas complaint hath been made before us Benjamin Coleman, Benjamin Case, E.W. Case, three of the Justices of the Peace in and for the said County by Darby a Negro servant to Joseph C. Albertson of Southold in the said County (farmer) that in the said Joseph C. Albertson hath misused and ill-treated him the said Negro servant Darby and particularly that he has not learnt him to read in the Holy Bible nor hath given him four quarters schooling (he being eighteen years of age) and that his name age and sex hath not been delivered to the Clerk of the Town of Southold nor recorded in his office, agreeable to the act in such case made and provided, ~~And whereas the said Joseph C. Albertson hath appeared before us in pursuance of our summons to that purpose, but hath not cleared himself, of and from the said accusation & complaint but that the said Negro servant Darby on the contrary hath produced a certificate from the Clerk of the Town of Southold certifying that the name age nor sex of the said Darby hath not been recorded in his office according to law, We therefore by these presents do discharge him the said Darby of and from his servitude to the said Joseph C. Albertson~~

Given under our hand & seal the third day of February one thousand eight hundred & nineteen

Benjamin Coleman  
 Benjamin Case  
 E.W. Case

Suffolk County

Whereas, complainant hath been made before us Benjamin Coleman, Benjamin Case, E.W. Case, three of the Justices of the Peace in and for the said County by Darby a negro servant to Joseph C. Albertson of Southold in the said County (farmer) that he is the said Joseph C. Albertson hath misused and treated him the said Negro servant Darby and particularly that he has not learnt him to read in the Holy Bible nor hath given him four quarters schooling (he being eighteen years of age) and that his name, age and sex hath not been delivered to the Clerk of the Town of Southold nor recorded in his office, agreeable to the act in such case made and provided,

And whereas the said Joseph C. Albertson hath appeared before us in pursuance of our summons to that purpose, but hath not cleared himself of and from the said accusation & complaint but that the said Negro

Servant Darby on the contrary hath produced a certificate from the Clerk of the Town of Southold certifying that the name, age nor sex of the said Darby hath not been recorded in his office according to law,

We therefore by these presents do discharge him the said Darby of and from his servitude to the said Joseph C. Albertson.

Given under our hand & seal the third day of February one-thousand eight hundred & nineteen.

Benjamin Coleman  
 Benjamin Case  
 E.W. Case