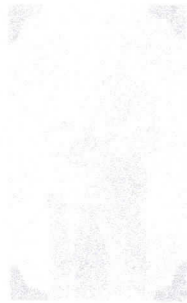


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diseases made up more than half of the deaths from infection, and such waterborne intestinal diseases as typhoid fever and cholera infantum were responsible for another quarter. Relatively few deaths could be attributed to potentially hereditary conditions.

### Slave Manumissions:

#### Ceasor of Houston and Johnston

[Mortgage Book A: 200, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania]

"This is to Certify that the Bearer Ceasor<sup>[1]</sup>, a Black man about Thirty five years of age I purchased of M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Johnston of Franklin County on the 11th day of March 1812, for the Consideration mentioned in the bill of Sale and that I give him the said Ceasor his Freedom from this day and Desire that all Persons may let him Pass & repass, he behaving well. Given under my hand and Seal, this 1st day of March A.D. [year in crack of book is not legible on film, but the document is recorded amid 1813 records]. Rob W. Houston.

"Signed in Presence of Jacob Gopher?"

1 March 1813, acknowledgment of manumission by Houston, before W<sup>m</sup> L<sup>2</sup> Beatty, J.P. of Lancaster County

2 March 1813, Certification of same before the Lancaster County Court of Quarter Sessions,

2 March 1813.

12 June 1816, "true copy" was made from the original, by John Findley, Recorder.

—Contributed by the Editors

#### Andrew Jackson Davis

[Box III, document 14; Court House Papers, Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis]

"Know all men by these presents that I<sup>[1]</sup>, Julia Ann Davis<sup>[1]</sup>, the Mother of Andrew Jackson Davis, a coloured boy slave aged about Twenty Five years<sup>[1]</sup>, formerly owned by Stephen Barlow of the City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, and by him sold to Charles H. Haven of the same place, and by said Haven on May 30 1850, sold to me by indenture of that date, having bought said Andrew in order to take care of and protect him, now in order that he may be able the more easily to make a living for himself and to make himself a free man.

"I hereby emancipate the said Andrew Jackson Davis from Slavery and make him as full and perfectly free as if such slave had been born free.

"In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of May AD 1855. [Signed] Julia Ann Davis. In prescence [sic] of John W. Skinner, E. Long, and J. A. Kapray[?]."

2 May 1855, proved by Julia Ann Davis in open court.

—Contributed by the Christopher A. Nordmann, Ph.D., CGRS; 2767A Mary Avenue; St. Louis, MO 63144

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