

Sharpsburg Washington County  
Md

April 13th. 1864.

At a Meeting of the  
Citizens of Sharpsburg on the above date, Col.  
John Miller was elected Chairman & William  
Gallagher Secy: Whereupon the following  
proceedings were had;

It is agreed by this Meet-  
ing, that, the accompanying statement, be  
transmitted to the General Commanding  
the Middle Department United States  
Army. Henry Piper

To Major General L. Wallace,  
Comdg. Middle Dept. U. S. A. Baltimore  
Md,

Sir;

The citizens of Sharpsburg Wash-  
ington Co. Md. respectfully represent that,  
upon the evening of Friday April 8th 1864,  
Co. I 19th Regt. U. S. Colored Troops, Captain  
Holsinger commanding in the Town<sup>arrived</sup>  
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in the direction of the

of said Town, said boy being about 16 years and  
9 months old, he Summers by reason of his minority,  
~~never having been enrolled~~, and hence no way  
liable to Military duty. Whereupon, said Henry  
Piper, who is of the age of 55 years and has always  
been a resident of Sharpsburg and vicinity, during his  
entire lifetime, and is and always has been a truly  
loyal citizen of the State of Maryland, and the U.S.  
After the seizure of said Jeremiah Summers proceeded  
to the said church, the Quarter of ~~one~~ said, to order his said  
servant to return into his lawful custody, this order being  
complied with, said Piper and his servant returned  
peaceably to his residence. Thereupon the officer in command  
ordered a guard to retake the said "Summers" but prior thereto  
sent a guard and ordered said Piper sumonitarily, to appear  
before him at the Church and Quarters, said Piper proceeded  
to comply with that order, and whilst on his way to report  
to the officer met him (that is to say Captain Fletcher  
who in the meantime assumed command, on the street  
and in the Square of said Town), and whilst so reporting  
to said Captain Fletcher 19<sup>th</sup> Regt U.S. Colored Troops  
and informing him in reply to his demand that he, (Piper)  
directed his servant to return to his house, ordered said Piper

Whilst said Piper was in the custody of said Captn he was tendered his release from arrest upon conditions that the said "Summers" be forthcoming having obtained said Pipers consent, and seized said "Summers". Said Piper was released from arrest, he having been seized between the hours of 12 & 1 o'clock and was released between the hours of 182 - O'clock of said day. Almost immediately thereafter, said Captain Fletcher & Roalinger and the colored Troops comprising their command departed from Sharpsburg taking with them the said minor servant of said Piper. The foregoing and and like aggravated cases, have thrown the community of Sharpsburg and Vicinity into a state of intense feeling and excitement this community being unflinchingly loyal and illustrating by voting in favor of Emancipation 329 and against Emancipation 2 votes, said Piper and other like sufferers, voting in favor of Emancipation. The citizens of Sharpsburg therefore feeling aggrieved and outraged by the foregoing occurrences respectfully represent these facts to your Department and pray an investigation of the same, and unanimously order the Officers of the meeting to sign the foregoing.

John Miller Chairman

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I do the undersigned fully concur in  
the foregoing statements and unite in its prayer.



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State of Maryland,  
Washington County ss:

I hereby Certify that the facts contained in the foregoing Receipt are true and correct, and that the aforesaid Henry Piper is the Owner of the said slave "Jeremiah Summers", that said Piper is a truly loyal citizen of the United States, a resident of Sharpsburg &c. That said Summers was so enlisted upon the 13th day of April A.D. 18

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I, Henry P. Jones a citizen of the State of Massachusetts  
acknowledging the war that has recently been waged against  
the United States since I have been a citizen thereof I have  
given voluntarily to the Constitution Government  
to persons engaged in armed rebellion that they might  
not accept nor attempt to exercise the functions of govern-  
ment over me any authority or intended action  
of the United States shall have no binding force upon me  
until such time as the Government shall have been  
restored in its full and entire power. I do further swear that to the best  
of my knowledge and belief I will faithfully abide by the Constitu-  
tion of the United States and to the intent of freedom and democracy  
that I will have due regard and reverence to the service that I shall render  
to the Government freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion  
and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties as a citizen  
of the United States so help me God.

I come and subscribe before me  
on the 15 day of April 1865

Henry Jones  
J. C. Good Jr.

Henry Jones