

I Robert Spear, of the Township of Hempfield in the County of Lancaster,  
Yeoman Do hereby return That (to the best of my Knowledge) —  
Princa a Negro Male Child <sup>Negro</sup> Son of <sup>Negro</sup> Dabe & a Female Slave  
was born on the ninth Day of May in the Year of our Lord  
One thousand Seven hundred & Eighty three, and that David  
a Mulatto Male Child another Son of the said Negro Dabe  
was born on the third Day of May in the Year of our Lord One  
thousand Seven hundred and Eighty six, and also that their  
said Mother was duly registered by me at Lancaster on the ninth  
Day of October 1780. pursuant to the Act "for the Gradual Abolition  
of Slavery." and that the aforesaid two Children are my Property  
and liable by the Act aforesaid to serve until they shall severally  
arrive to the Age of twenty eight Years. Witness my Hand the  
Ninth Day of January Anno Domini 1789 —

To John Hubley Esquire Clerk of the Peace  
for the County of Lancaster —

Robert Spear

Robert Spear affirmed to the Truth of this  
Return & Entry the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1789

Cor. me.

John Hubley