

In pursuance of an Act of Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania
-nia, I Oliver Catwile of the Township of Little Britain in
the County of Lancaster Farmer do hereby enter and
return that Joseph Negro Male Child the son of Ruth a
Female Slave, was born on or about the Twentieth Day of
January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred
and Ninety two and that his said Mother Ruth was duly entered
and registered at Lancaster as a Slave, pursuant to the Act
"for the gradual Abolition of Slavery" and that the aforesaid
Negro Child Joseph is my Property and liable to serve until
it shall arrive to the Age of Twenty eight Years, Witness my
Hand the 29th Day of May Anno Domini 1792

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

Oliver Catwile was duly sworn
to the truth of the above Entry & Return
the 29th Day of May Anno Domini
1792. Cor mo

John Hubley
Clerk of the Peace