

MANIFEST of Negroes, Mulattos, and <sup>free</sup> persons of Color, taken on board the *Brig Virginia of Baltimore* whereof  
*John Staples* is Master, burthen *239* tons, to be transported to the Port of *New Orleans* in the  
 District of *Mississippi* for the purpose of ~~being sold or disposed of as Slaves, or to be held to Service or Labour~~  
*Residence in the City of New Orleans*

NUMBER OF ENTRY.	NAMES.	SEX.		AGE.	HEIGHT.		Whether Negro, Mulatto, or person of Color.	Owner or Shipper's Name and Residence.
		MALE.	FEMALE.		FEET.	INCHES.		
1	<i>Lucy Boyer</i>		<i>Woman</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Light mulatto</i>	} <i>Lucy Boyer for herself &amp; Children - Shipper</i>
2	<i>Robert D. Smith</i>	<i>Male</i>		<i>17</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>brown</i>	
3	<i>Caroline Boyer</i>		<i>Girl</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>lightest mulatto</i>	
	<i>Emily Boyer</i>		<i>do.</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>Light mulatto</i>	

District of Baltimore, Port of Baltimore, the

1 day of *November* 1823

*John Staples* Master of the *Brig Virginia* do solemnly, sincerely, and truly swear, ~~each of us~~ to the best of ~~our~~ knowledge and belief, that ~~the above described persons of Color~~ have not been imported into the United States since the first day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eight; and that under the Laws of the State of Maryland, ~~they are not~~ held to Service or Labour, as Slaves and are entitled to freedom under these Laws, ~~and are not~~ So Help me God.

Sworn to this *12* day of *November* 1823 before

*Lucy Boyer*  
her mark

*J. M. McEntock* COLLECTOR.

District of Baltimore, Port of Baltimore, the

18 day of November 1823

persons of color

Wm. H. McCulloch

Collector of the District of Baltimore, do hereby Certify that the within is a true copy of the Original Manifest or List of

left on file in this office; and I do further certify, that

Staples Master of the within mentioned Brig Virginia

John hath this day made oath, in manner directed in the ninth Section of the Act

of Congress, passed the Second day of March, 1807, prohibiting the Importation of Slaves into the United States—I do hereby authorise the said Master to proceed with the said

named as within, and being four in number, to the Port of New Orleans in the State of Louisiana

Given under my Hand at the Custom-House of Baltimore, the date above written.

Wm. H. McCulloch

Secy.

John Daly Esq. that I examined the within List and find the same to agree

John Daly Esq.

Baltimore  
Decr 10<sup>th</sup> 1823

Wm. H. McCulloch

John Daly Esq.

Brig Virginia  
Staples  
1823