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William Still

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Elias Jasper is about 32 yrs. ~~about~~ dark, well featured, very gifted with his tongue and hands- had worked at the following trades- Rope making, Carpentering, Engineering, chain making, painting, Mechanist & daguerreotyping¹, at which calling he was employed when he left. For several yrs. he had been in the habit of hiring his time for which he had paid \$10. per month. In learning the above trades he was obliged to gain the insight by his own ingenuity- paying occasionally for a lesson. His Master's Bayham, a retired gentleman- had been sold once. Had suffered by various exposures, by flogging, &c. Left a wife, Mary, but no child. Was not at liberty to inform her of his scheme to leave. She is owned by the Miss Portlock's- has been used tolerable well. Pays \$55 per year, washes &c. He is a member of the Methodist Ch.² Often heard master preach of obedience to the slaves. Value \$1200

¹ photography

² church

two of her children behind. a boy 6 yrs & a
girl 2 1/2 yrs - the boys name was Robt. & the
girl Mary. Her husband, James Bell
is to come on.

Elias Gasper is about
32 yrs, ~~short~~ dark, well featured, very
gifted with his tongue & hands - had worked
at the following trades - Rope Making, Car-
pentering, Engineering, ^{Chain making} Painting, Mechanist of
De. Department at which calling he was ~~employed~~
employed when he left. For several yrs he
had been in the habit of hiring his time for
which he had paid \$1.00 per Month - In learn-
ing the above trades he was obliged to gain
the insight by his own industry - paying occas-
ionally for a lesson. Had Master's Warrant,
a retired gentleman - Had been sold once
Had suffered by various exposures, by flogging,
~~and~~ &c. Left a wife, Mary, but his child
was not at liberty to inform her of his
scheme to leave. She is owned ^{by} the
Miss Postlock's - Has been used tolerable
well - pays \$5.00 per year, washes &c

He is a member of the Methodist Ch.
After heard his Master preach up obedience
to the slaves. Value \$1200.

(1) June 23/35

Mrs. Maria Joiner arrived per Capt. F;
is 33 yrs of age, Molato, a fine hearty
looking, and intelligent woman. Left
her husband, and one sister. The name of
her husband was Peter Joiner - the sister,
Ann. Had not been badly treated until
lately, after the death of the old Master -
When she fell into the hands of his daughter
who drank and was very abusive, using
great violence. For this she was induced
to leave. For 8 mos she was kept in
private quarters where she suffered severely
from Cold &c. Owes, Catherine Gordon
Value \$800