

I never was married to any body but
Henry Bates and John Gibson.
I have not remarried nor lived with
any man since death of John Gibson
deaths. He always used the name
John Gibson in voting and all.
I don't know whether he had any
Henry in his name or not. He was
50 yrs old when he died. He was born
in Calvert Co. Md. He was tall and
slender, and light brown skin. Was
born in slavery. His master was Ned
Lord in Calvert Co.

I have no property at all except about
\$200 worth of household furniture and
\$50 in the bank. My family consists
of myself and my mother who is very
old and a blind and I have to support
her and myself by taking in washing
and I have no other income.

I don't know any way to find Henry
Bates nor any body to prove he had
another wife except from Calvert and
some white people at Turner Mills Md.
Mr Rice and Mr Tunis of firm of Rice
and Tunis who used to have a saw mill
down in Va and Bates worked for them then
I have heard this accusation read My
answers are correctly recorded.

John Gibson

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1 day of Dec
1893, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

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