



**Smithsonian Institution**

*Freedmen's Bureau*

## **Registers and Letters Received by the Commissioner, Letters Received, Entered in Register 5, R, Mar.–May 1866**

Extracted on Mar-28-2024 07:24:41

**The Smithsonian Institution thanks all digital volunteers that transcribed and reviewed this material. Your work enriches Smithsonian collections, making them available to anyone with an interest in using them.**

The Smithsonian Institution (the "Smithsonian") provides the content on this website ([transcription.si.edu](https://transcription.si.edu)), other Smithsonian websites, and third-party sites on which it maintains a presence ("SI Websites") in support of its mission for the "increase and diffusion of knowledge." The Smithsonian invites visitors to use its online content for personal, educational and other non-commercial purposes. By using this website, you accept and agree to abide by the [following terms](#).

- If sharing the material in personal and educational contexts, please cite the Freedmen's Bureau as source of the content and the project title as provided at the top of the document. Include the accession number or collection name; when possible, link to the Freedmen's Bureau website.
- If you wish to use this material in a for-profit publication, exhibition, or online project, please contact Freedmen's Bureau or [transcribe@si.edu](mailto:transcribe@si.edu)

For more information on this project and related material, contact the Freedmen's Bureau. [See this project](#) and other collections in the Smithsonian Transcription Center.

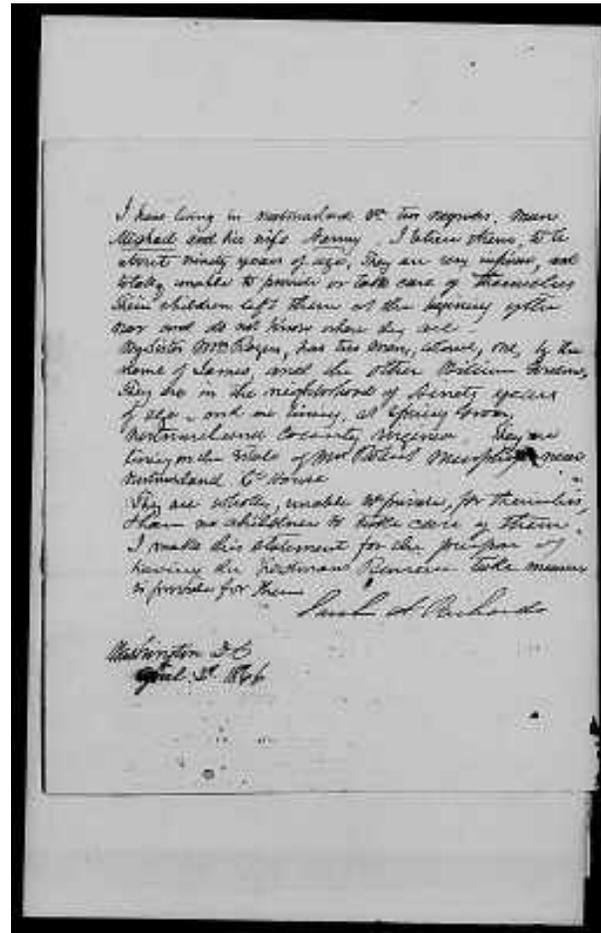
I have living in Westmoreland Va two negroes, man Michael and his wife [[Nanny?]]. I believe them, to be about ninety years of age. They are very infirm, and totally unable to provide or take care of themselves Their children left them at the begining of the war and do not know where they are.

My Sister Mrs Rogers, has two men, Colored, one, by the name of James, and the other William Gordon. They are in the neighborhood of Ninety years of age - and are living, at Spracey [[Spruce?]] Groves, Westmoreland County Virginia, They are living on the Estate of Mrs Robert Murphrey near Westmoreland Ct House

They are wholly, unable to provide, for themselves, I have no children to take care of them. I make this statement for the purpose of having the Freedmans Bureau take measures to provide for them

Sarah A. Richards

Washington DC  
April. 2d 1866



Registers and Letters Received by the Commissioner, Letters Received, Entered in Register 5, R, Mar.-May 1866 Transcribed and Reviewed by Digital Volunteers Extracted Mar-28-2024 07:24:41



## Smithsonian Institution

*Freedmen's Bureau*

The mission of the Smithsonian is the increase and diffusion of knowledge - shaping the future by preserving our heritage, discovering new knowledge, and sharing our resources with the world. Founded in 1846, the Smithsonian is the world's largest museum and research complex, consisting of 19 museums and galleries, the National Zoological Park, and nine research facilities. Become an active part of our mission through the Transcription Center. Together, we are discovering secrets hidden deep inside our collections that illuminate our history and our world.

Join us!

The Transcription Center: <https://transcription.si.edu>

On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SmithsonianTranscriptionCenter>

On Twitter: [@TranscribeSI](https://twitter.com/TranscribeSI)

Connect with the Smithsonian

Smithsonian Institution: [www.si.edu](http://www.si.edu)

On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Smithsonian>

On Twitter: [@smithsonian](https://twitter.com/smithsonian)