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Abstract

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Creator

Lively, Robert

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Biographical Note - Robert Lively

The Robert Lively of this collection may be the Robert Lively of Hampton, Elizabeth City, Virginia. According to the 1810 and 1820 censuses, he enslaved 12 and 19 people, respectively, including 4 children under 10 years old in 1820. In the 1830 census, he enslaved 25 people, including 2 children under 10. Six free people of color and 13 white people also lived in his household.

No other information could be found.

External sources:

U.S. Federal Census, 1810-1830

Biographical Note - Walter Herron

The Walter Herron of Norfolk, Virginia, in the collection is likely Walter Herron, an Irish immigrant born around 1773. He settled in Norfolk, manufactured rope, supplying the local navy yard, and had a tannery.

Herron married Anne Plume (d. 1833) and adopted her daughter, Anna Plume Bohan Herron (d. 1855), who founded the St. Vincent de Paul Hospital in Norfolk.

According to the 1830 census, Herron enslaved 59 people, including 3 under the age of 10. Four free people of color and 13 white people were also part of his household.

Herron died on April 18, 1838, at the age of 65 and is buried with his wife in Basilica of Saint Mary Curchyard in Norfolk.

External sources:

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Scope and Content

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Keywords

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