

Lime-House (b. circa 1699 - d. ?)

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Fled from Slavery, Anne Arundel County, Maryland 1729

Biography:

Lime-House was an enslaved African American owned by Samuel Peel(e), a land owner in and around London Town. On June 10, 1729, Peel(e) posted a runaway advertisement in the *Maryland Gazette* for Lime-House stating that Lime-House had run away on Sunday, April 27, 1729 from his property called Turkey-Island. Lime-House was about thirty years old and was wearing "a new felt Hat, a new grey Fear-nothing Coat, one new and one old Cotton Jacket, a new brown Osnabrig Shirt, a pair of newish light Fustian Breeches, and a pair of old Cotten Breeches, a pair of white Country made Yarn Stockings, a pair of good Negroe Shoes."¹ Samuel Peel(e) asked that Lime-House be delivered to his overseer Nicholas Aldridge at Turkey-Island or to Peel(e) himself in London Town. Peel(e) offered to pay whomever found Lime-House twenty shillings "more than the Law allows."²

Two more runaway advertisements appeared in the *Maryland Gazette* on July 15³ and July 22, 1729.⁴ However, Lime-House does not appear listed in Samuel Peel(e)'s inventory when he died in 1732.⁵ Thus, it is not known exactly what happened to Lime-House.

1. ["Run away from Samuel Peel's Quarters," *Maryland Gazette*, June 10, 1729.](#)

2. Ibid.

3. ["Run away from Samuel Peel's Quarters," *Maryland Gazette*, July 15, 1729.](#)

4. ["Run away from Samuel Peel's Quarters," *Maryland Gazette*, July 22, 1729.](#)

5. [PREROGATIVE COURT \(Inventories\) Samuel Peele, 1733, Liber 18, folio 150, MSA S534-18, MdHR 1025.](#)

[PREROGATIVE COURT \(Inventories\) Samuel Peele, 1734, Liber 18, folio 518, MSA S534-18, MdHR 1115.](#)

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<http://www.msa.md.gov/msa/speccol/sc5400/sc5496/051500/051545/html/msa51545.htm>