

(201) Henry Thrope and Priscilla his wife have executed
set their hands and seals this day and year first written
Signed sealed and delivered } Henry Thrope
In Presence of } Priscilla Thrope
Robt. Mabry

Wm. Phelps Deary

George Mason

Ltd. John Mason

Willia Francis

John Edmeston

Virginia Southampton County (to wit)
The Commonwealth of Virginia
to Messrs. Cosby & Jacob Ham Gentlemen

justices of the peace for the county of Nash. and state of N^C
Carolina. Greeting whereas Henry Thrope and Priscilla his
wife of the last mentioned county and state have by their
bottoms Indenture of bargain and sale bearing date the 31st
day of December one thousand eight hundred and one sold
conveyed unto Jesse Holt of the county of Southampton the fee
simple estate of and in five hundred and forty one acres with
the appurtenances lying and being in the county of Southampton
afores^d and whereas the s^d Priscilla Thrope cannot conveniently
travel to the Court of our s^d county to acknowledge the same
therefore we do give to you power to receive the acknowledg-
ment which the s^d Priscilla shall be willing to make before
you of the conveyance afores^d contained in the said Indenture
which is here to commence, And we do command you that you
go personally to the s^d Priscilla and examine her privately &
apart from her husband whether she hath executed the s^d
deed freely and voluntarily without the persuasion or
threats of her husband, and whether she is willing the
s^d Indenture should be recorded in the Ct. of said County
and when you have examined her as afores^d & taken
her acknowledgments of the same that you do truthfully
and fully certify within of and on your hands and seals