

Spring run in a bottom of the said post were lately put there by Samuel Browne and the said Jesse Browne, & thence along the said Spring run nearly an East Course to a post of Nettoway river calling the cove thence down the said river to the first station containing by estimation, six acres more or less with its appurtenances which ^{com} approachs the ferry landing Store house ware house &c. To have and to hold the said bargained premises, to him the said Richard Darden his heirs and assigns forever (and to the sole and only proper use benefit and behoof of him the said Richard Darden his heirs and assigns forever and they the said Jesse Browne and Martha Browne his wife for themselves their heirs executors and administrators do by these presents warrant and well forever ^{warrant and} defend the said bargained premises against the lawful claim or demand of all and all manner of persons whatsoever, to him the said Richard Darden his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof they the said Jesse Browne and Martha Browne his wife have here set their hands (and affixed their seals this day and date before written

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of } Browne Seal

Henry Gurley

Jos Gurley

Wm Hart

} Patsy Browne Seal

Southampton County Court

The Commonwealth of Virginia to Jacob Darden and Carr Darden Gentlemen Justices of the peace for the said County whereas Jesse Browne and Martha his wife gave by their certain Indenture of bargain and sale dated the 20th day of March 1871 conveyance unto Richard Darden of the County of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in six acres of land and whereas the said Martha cannot conveniently ^{tra}ge to the Court of our said County to acknowledge the same therefore we do give to you power to receive the acknowledgements which the said Martha shall be willing to make before you of the conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereto annexed and we do command you to go personally to the said Martha and examine her privately and apart from her husband whether she hath executed the said deed freely and voluntarily without the persuasion or threats of her said husband and whether she is willing the same should be recorded in the County Court of aforesaid and when you have examined her as aforesaid and taken her acknowledgements of the same you distinctly and openly certify us hereof under your hands and seals returning to us also this writ and the said Indenture