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This Indenture made this 9th day of December in the year of our
said one thousand eight hundred and eighty between Samuel Stephenson
and Polly his wife of the County of Southampton City and State of Virginia, of
the one part, and Micajah Lowe of the County and State of Virginia, of the
other part, Witnesseth that the said Samuel Stephenson & Polly his
wife for and in consideration of the sum of eighty Dollars then to hand
and the said Micajah Lowe before the reading of and delivery of these
premises, the receipt whereof they hereby acknowledge, have granted, conveyed
sold, aliened, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain
sell, alien, convey and confirm unto the said Micajah Lowe his heirs and assigns
forever one certain tract or parcel of land being and being in the County
of Southampton, containing twenty acres by estimation but the same more or
less, and bounded as follows to wit, by the lands of Valentine Smithers
and Brick and Robert Mercer, it being the said Stephenson &
Polly's portion of the lower land of Mrs. Gumples who was formerly the
wife of John Mercer deceased of whose land this is a part, to have and
to hold all this right title and interest to the above mentioned
tract or parcel of land unto the said Micajah Lowe his heirs and assigns
and also the improvements and remainders, reversion and reversions, rents, issues
and profits of the said tract or parcel of land to the only proper use and
 behoof of him the said Micajah Lowe his heirs and assigns forever
and the said Samuel Stephenson and Polly his for themselves their heirs
and assigns doth covenant grant and agree to and with the said
Micajah Lowe that they the said Samuel Stephenson & Polly
his wife the lawful title in fee simple of the said land well
warrant and forever defend unto him the said Micajah Lowe his
heirs and assigns forever the aforesaid tract or parcel of land against
the lawful claim of all and every person or persons themselves
in witness whereof the said Samuel Stephenson and Polly his wife
have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals the day and year
first above written Signed Sealed and delivered in presence
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Samuel Stephenson E.S.
Polly Stephenson E.S.
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Southampton County to wit
We Silas Sumner and Samuel G. Bayler Justices of the peace in the
County aforesaid State of Virginia do hereby certify that Samuel Stephenson and
Polly his wife parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to
Micajah Lowe bearing date 9th day of Decr 1879 and above annexed per
exactly appeared before us in person and declared that the said Samuel Stephenson
being examined privately and apart from his husband before having the deed fully
explained to her she the said Polly at and with her husband the said Samuel
acknowledged the same to be their act, deed & declared they had willingly
signed, sealed & delivered the same & that they wished not to retract it
Given under our hands and seals this 30th day of March 1879
Silas Sumner E.S.
Samuel G. Bayler E.S.