

Darden
to
consent

This Indenture made the forth day of November
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty
between Elisha Darden of Hertford County North Carolina
of the one part and William Owens of the family of Southham
John and State of Virginia of the other part ~~testimony~~
that the said Elisha Darden in order to secure the paymen-
ent of a debt due from the said Elisha Darden to
William L. Everett as appears by his bond executed to
the said William L. Everett bearing equal date with
these presents for the sum of one thousand and five dollars
and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to him in
hand paid at or before the unsealing and delivery of these presents
the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said
Elisha Darden that he granted bargained and sold and by
these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said
William Owens three Negroes to wit Morris Willis Dickenson
and Ephraim all right interest claim and demand whatsoever
to or at law and and in equity of him the said Elisha
Darden in or out of the said Negroes To Have and
to hold the said Negroes Morris Willis Dickenson & Ephraim
unto the said William Owens his heirs executors Administrators
and assigns forever upon these premises that the said William
Owens shall as soon as he conveniently can after the first
day of January eighteen hundred and twenty one on his being
herein required by the said William L. Everett or his assigns
after that said first day of January eighteen hundred and
twenty one and after having advertised the time and place
of the sale of of the Negroes aforesaid by advertisement
in writing to be set up at publick places in the neigh-
bourhood of him the said Elisha Darden proceed to sell
the said Negroes Morris Willis Dickenson & Ephraim
for the best price that can be obtained in ready money
and out of the proceeds of said sale in the first place
to pay and satisfy all reasonable charges attending
such sale and then the debt above mentioned with its
interest or any part thereof that may be then due.
And the residue of the money arising from such sale
as aforesaid to the use of the said Elisha Darden his
executors administrators or assigns or to such persons as
he by writing under his hand shall appoint and in
default of such appointment to such person or persons
as shall be therein entitled by Statute of the State of
Virginia to the distribution of intestate estate provided always that