

and the said negro Slaves during the joint lives of them the said John Shepherd and Susan his wife and receive the avails of their labour, unless the said Susan shall require the said Benjamin Davis to send and hire them out in which event he shall take possession of them and do so and apply the proceeds to the separate use and benefit of her the said Susan and to her order. And on the death of the said John Shepherd if the said Susan should survive, shall convey the said negro Slaves with their increase from that day to her in absolute property and if the said John shall survive the said Susan on her death shall in like manner convey them to the said John Shepherd and the said John Shepherd conjointly with the said Benjamin Davis that he shall have a good title to the said Slaves and when required according to the Deed shall have possession of them for the purposes aforesaid. and the said Benjamin Davis covenants that he will well and truly execute the Trust hereby imposed on him. In Testimony whereof the several parties have hereunto set their hands and Affixed their seals the day and year first herein named.

Signed sealed and acknowledged
in presence of us.

J. Mason

J. T. Hunt

Clk of Providence

Southampton County, Little Hicks Office the 18 day of March 1833.

This Indenture was acknowledged John Shepherd and Benjamin Davis of the parties thereto and admitted to record as to them And at a Court held for the County of or as said the 15 day of April 1833 the said Indenture was entered on the proceedings of the day

Witness James Rockwell Clk

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Mason

Ex. & deliv. to

J. Mason

Mar 17/1833

This Indenture made and entered into this fifteenth day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three. Between John Shepherd of the first part, Benjamin Williamson of the second part and John T. Hunt of the third part. Witness the said John Shepherd is indebted to the said John T. Hunt, in the sum of Twelve hundred and sixteen & 1/2 dollars due by Bond with interest from that day, which Bond is of equal date with the present, the payment whereof with the accruing interest the said John Shepherd owes and desires to secure. And this Indenture is witnessed that for and in consideration of the premises and of the sum of Five hundred and sixteen & 1/2 dollars to him in hand paid by the said Benjamin Williamson the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said John Shepherd Charles Benjamin sold and conveyed and by these presents doth bargain sell and convey unto the said Benj. Williamson the following negro Slaves to wit, first (Naming) George, Abby and Charles. To have and to hold to him the said Benjamin Williamson to him and his heirs forever upon Trust Nevertheless that the said Shepherd is to allow to retain possession of the said Slaves until the said Mason shall require of the said Benj. Williamson the sum of money and the interest which may have accrued thereon the said Shepherd shall have no objection thereto in whole or in part. Whereof the said Benjamin Williamson shall take possession of the said negro Slaves on or after the day and after duly advertising the true and plain of sale for ten days shall sell the same at public auction to the highest bidder. And one of the bidders pay the expenses of the sale.