

thence as to said James Storr and Chas. E. Knight two of the parties hereto and together with the certificate of the jury examination and acknowledgment of the wife admitted to Record

Wm. P. R. Edwards &c

This Indenture made and entered into this 10th day of December 1847 between
 Stephen Henderson of the first part and Martha Williams of the other part: Whereas
 a Marriage is shortly intended to be had and solemnized by and between the said Stephen
 Henderson and Martha Williams: And Whereas the said Martha Williams is possessed of
 considerable estate consisting of three slaves to wit: "Miss Sam and Aunt and
 by some household furniture lands &c: And Whereas it has been agreed that the said
 said Martha Williams shall until and after the said intended Marriage have hold and enjoy
 the aforesaid property and increase and profits thereof as well as any other property which
 she may hereafter acquire either by purchase or otherwise: In and for her own separate use
 and benefit: And that the same shall in no wise be subject to the debts of the said
 Henderson: which he has now a truly hereafter contract: And that the said Martha
 Williams may after the said intended Marriage have at her own will and pleasure dispose
 of all or any part of the said property: Notwithstanding her coverture: By Deed or deed
 in writing under her hand and seal attested by two or more credible witnesses or by her
 last will and Testament in writing to be by her signed sealed published and delivered
 in the presence of two or more credible witnesses: And that in case the said Martha
 should die without disposing of the said property the said Henderson surviving: the said
 property or such part thereof as shall be undisposed of shall be enjoyed by the said
 Henderson for and during his natural life: And as he shall shall go to the issue of the
 said Marriage if any or their descendants: if there be no such issue or descendants at the death
 of the said Henderson the said property shall go to the next of kin of the said Martha
 Williams: according to the Law of descent and distribution: And it is further agreed that
 nothing herein contained shall exclude or hinder the said Martha Williams in case she should
 survive the said Henderson from her right or title to share in any estate of which the said
 Henderson shall be seized and possessed of or be entitled to during his coverture: With
 Confirmation Whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names
 and affixed their seals the day and year first above written

Stephen Henderson (S.P.)
 Martha Williams (S.W.)

In presence of

Wm. Briggs
 Thomas H. Briggs
 Francis W. Briggs

Southampton County in the Clerk's Office the 21st day of December 1847
 This Marriage Contract between Stephen Henderson and Martha Williams was proved
 by the said of Wm. Briggs and on the 17th day of January 1848 was proved
 by the said of Wm. Briggs and Francis W. Briggs: the above Witnesses sworn and admitted
 to Record

Wm. P. R. Edwards &c

This Indenture made and entered into on the 17th day of December Eighteen
 hundred forty seven between Sally Pope of the County of Southampton and State of
 Virginia of the one part and Samuel Dandridge of the same County & State of the other
 part: Witnesseth that the said Sally Pope for and in consideration of the sum