

was presented and together with the certificate of the acknowledgment of the said Benjamin L. Drew. and Thompson admitted to record. *Chas. L. R. Edwards, C.C.*

This Indenture, made this the 27th day of May in this year. One thousand eight hundred and fifty six, between James H. Sebrall and Virginia his wife of the one part, and William H. Nicholson, John Cobb, Joseph Gillette, Wm. B. McArthur, James D. Bryant, James A. Gillette, James Downing, Davis Barrett, and Thomas R. Howell, trustees as appointed by a decree of the Circuit Court of Southampton County made at May Term 1856, of the other part; Witnesseth, that the said James H. Sebrall and Virginia his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of Six hundred and fifty dollars the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and in obedience to a decree of the Circuit Court of Southampton County at May Term 1856 in the suit of Nicholson vs. Whitehead do grant unto the said William H. Nicholson, John Cobb, Joseph Gillette, Wm. B. McArthur, James D. Bryant, James A. Gillette, James Downing, Davis Barrett, and Thomas R. Howell trustees as aforesaid for the purpose of a parsonage for the Methodist Episcopal Church in Southampton County in conformity with the will of Samuel Whitehead with general warranty a certain lot of land situated near the town of Jerusalem, containing nearly three acres (and bounded on the west by the road leading from Jerusalem to Petersburg, on the north by the plantation lately belonging to R. M. Sebrall dec'd, and a small piece of land which was purchased by the said James H. Sebrall from Thomas L. Jones, on the east by the lands lately belonging to F. J. Mahone dec'd, and on the south by H. S. Boyles lot it being the lot on which the said James H. Sebrall has lately resided. The said James H. Sebrall covenants that he has the right to convey the said land to the grantees that he has done no act to encumber the said land; that the grantees shall have quiet possession of the said land free from all encumbrances; and that they, said grantees of the first part, will execute such further assurances of the said land as may be requisite.

Seals.

Signed sealed and acknowledged
and delivered before us.

James Holmes
Geo. W. Lawrence

Witness the following signatures and
Jas. H. Sebrall *Seal*
Virginia L. Sebrall *Seal*

State of Virginia, County of Southampton, Town;
We, James Holmes Geo. W. Lawrence Justices of the peace for the County of Southampton in the State of Virginia, do certify that Virginia L. Sebrall the wife of Jas. H. Sebrall, whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 16th day of June, personally appears before us in the County aforesaid, and being examined by us privately and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Virginia L. Sebrall acknowledging the said writing to be her act and declares that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under hand this 16th day of June 1856
James Holmes
Geo. W. Lawrence