

The said Deed was wholly proved as to the said Jos. H. Edwards and Joshua H. Edwards by the oath of H. S. Jones also a subscribing witness thereto (and was thereupon admitted to record)

Teste,

L. R. Edwards, C. C.

This deed made the eighteenth day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty seven, between W^m Jones of the county of Hanover in the state of Virginia of the one part and Jacob Lewis of the county of Southampton of the other part. Whereas by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court held for Southampton County rendered at the November Term 1855 in which it was decreed (and entered) that W^m Jones of County to do, after giving twenty days notice of the time & place of sale should expose to public sale upon a tract of land, (except a sum sufficient to pay the costs of the suit and expenses of the sale) the tract of land in the bill mentioned, whereof Abraham D. Gardner died seized & possessed (and where in pursuance of said decree the said W^m Jones as Commissioner aforesaid did on the 8th day of December 1855, on the premises expose to public sale the said tract of land (the time and place of sale having been ascertained thirty days previous thereto) when the said Jacob Lewis became the last bidder (and purchaser) for the sum of three thousand dollars. Therein he therefore further witnessed that for and in consideration of three thousand dollars (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) he the said W^m Jones as Commissioner aforesaid hath bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain and sell unto the said Jacob Lewis his heirs and assigns the tract of land whereof Abraham D. Gardner died seized & possessed said to contain two hundred & sixteen & a half acres more or less reserving however one eighth of an acre more or less including the Cemetery or burying ground, which was sold with the reserve as aforesaid at public sale as aforesaid. To have and to hold the said tract of land with the appurtenances thereto belonging (except as before reserved unto the said Jacob Lewis his heirs and assigns against the claim or demand of him the said W^m Jones his heirs and assigns, shall well and lawfully warrant and defend by virtue of the decree aforesaid and no further. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and year as above written.

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence of,

W^m M. Jones, Esq.

Southampton County, Texas:

I, Joshua D. Bollen a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that W^m Jones whose name is signed to the within writing ordered bearing date the 18th day of May 1857, has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 18th day of May A.D. 1857.

Southampton County, South Clerk's Office, the 11th day of June 1857. Joshua D. Bollen, J. P.

This Deed of Bargain and Sale from W^m Jones, Commissioner to Jacob Lewis as presented (and together with the certificate of the acknowledgment of the said Commissioner was thereupon admitted to record.)

Teste,

L. R. Edwards, C. C.

This deed made, the day of June A.D. 1857, between Jacob Lewis of the one part and L. R. Edwards of the other part, Witnesseth; that the said Jacob Lewis doth grant unto the said L. R. Edwards the following property to wit: the tract of land on which Jacob Lewis has reserved two hundred sixteen & a half acres more or less and known as the Abraham D. Gardner tract of land. In trust to secure and indemnify Edward C. Campbell & Nelson B. Gardner as his the said Lewis's securities to two bonds are executed to Richard B. Smith Guardian for Edward B. Smith dated and on demand January 1st 1857 for seven hundred and sixty dollars and the other