

certify that Melly Hunt the wife of Thomas Hunt whose name are assigned to the
within decs bearing date on the 15th day of December 1859, personally appeared
before us in the County of said (and being examined by us privately and apart from
her husband and having the writing aforesaid explained to her she the said Melly
Hunt acknowledged the same writing to be her act and declared that she had
voluntarily executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under our
hands this 18th day of Dec. 1859.

Davis Bennett, J.D.
Elyah J. J. J.D.

Southampton County. In the Clerk's office, June 20th 1859.
This Decs of Bargain and Sale was proved as to Thomas Hunt, a party thereto, by
the oaths of Davis Bennett and E. J. J. the subscribing witnesses thereto and
together with the certificate of the pricing examination and acknowledgment
of Melly Hunt, his wife, also a party thereto was admitted to record
This.

L. H. Edwards, C. C.

This deed made this 15th day of January year 1859, between Miles Cook of the County of Southampton,
State of Virginia, of the first part John B. Sherrod of Northampton County N.C. of the
second part & James Barnes of Hertford County N.C. of the third & last part.
Witnesseth, that he the said Miles Cook for the consideration of the sum of
One Dollar to him paid before the sealing and delivering this deed the receipt
whereof is hereby acknowledged and for the further consideration of the trust
hereinafter set forth have granted, bargained & sold and by this deed do grant
bargain, sell and convey unto the said John B. Sherrod his heirs and assigns
with general warranty all that tract or parcel of land lying & being in the
County of Southampton State of Va. and containing one hundred & thirty eight acres
more or less and bounded by the lands of Mrs Martha Smith, William & Mary
& others & called the Taylor & Bryant tract together with all and singular the
privileges, rights, improvements and appurtenances or in any wise attached or
belonging in trust morethelss and for the following use in trust and purpose
and more over; That whereas the said Miles Cook is indebted to the said
James Barnes Executor of Jacob Barnes in the sum of Five hundred Dollars
by note bearing date the first day of April year 1855, and on demand and due
that day and also one other note owing and payable to the said James Barnes Executor
as before named in the sum of Ninety two Dollars and fifty cents dated of and
born date with this Indenture & on demand & due April the first day 1857
the payment whereof it is the purpose of this deed to secure. Now if the said
Miles Cook his heirs Executors, or assigns shall pay or cause to be paid to the said James Barnes
Executor as aforesaid or his assigns the said sum of Five hundred Dollars & also the sum of
Ninety two Dollars & fifty cents when the same shall be demanded with all interest then due
this deed shall be null & void, but if he the said Miles Cook his heirs Executors or assigns
shall fail to pay said sums of money as aforesaid to the said James Barnes or his assigns in sixty
days from the time the same shall be demanded then the aforesaid John B. Sherrod or his
assigns shall be seen after such failure he may be requested to do by the said
James Barnes or his assigns shall after giving ten days notice at three or more
public places in the neighborhood of said land proceed to sell and auction and