

in the County aforesaid fully examined by us privately and apart from her husband and hearing the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Madaline Claid acknowledge the said writing to be her own and declare that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under our hands, this 8th day of February, 1861

V. T. Francis, Jd.
Jno. E. Briggs, Jd.

Southampton County. In the Clerk's Office, April 15th 1861.
This Deed of Bargain and Sale was acknowledged by Jesse C. Claid, a party thereto, and together with the certificate of the jury examination & acknowledgment of Madaline Claid, his wife, also a party thereto was admitted to record.

Attest,
L. R. Edwards, C.C.

Sledge & wife
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This Indenture, made this 14th day, February one thousand Eight hundred and sixty one, 1861, Between Sterling Sledge and Lucy his wife of the one part and Thomas M. Newson of the other part, witnesses all, That for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand three hundred and sixty Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Thos. M. Newson, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, that they Sterling Sledge and Lucy, his wife, have bargained and sold unto the said Thos. M. Newson a certain tract or parcel of land lying in the County of Southampton & containing Two Hundred and forty Acres more or less, and bounded as follows; viz; beginning at the bridge across L. E. Mason's Mill Swamp, thence along the public road to Williamson's Bridge across the Main run of the Three Creeks, thence down the meanderings of said run to the line of said Thos. M. Newson, thence along the said line to the run of L. E. Mason's Mill Swamp, thence up the meanderings of said Swamp to the beginning.

The said Sterling Sledge and Lucy, his wife, do hereby relinquish to the said Thos. M. Newson, all their right and title of said Land, and by these presents, do warrant and forever defend the same to the said Thos. M. Newson, his heirs and assigns. On Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals, the day and date first above written

Teste
Wm. H. D. Sledge

Sterling Sledge Seal
Lucy Sledge Seal

Southampton County, Va.

This is to certify that Lucy Sledge wife of Sterling Sledge personally appeared before us Justices of the peace for the said County, and having the annexed Deed fully explained to her, and being examined by us privately and apart from her husband, she declared that she had willingly and of her own accord signed and sealed the same and that she desired not to retract it. Given under our hands this 14th day