cons his heirs forever. And the said Menalcus Southerland and Martha A. Southerland his wife do for themselves and their heirs, covenant to and with the said Allen Brantley, and his heirs, that they will warrant and defend the said title to the said premises unto the said Allen Brantley and his heirs, against the lawful claims of any all persons whatsoever.

In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this the 30th Dec. AD 1872.

Menalcus Southerland (Seal)
Martha A. Southerland (Seal)

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Franklin County.

Be it this the 30th day of December in the year 1872, before me R. H. Timberlake Judge of Probate for said County, personally appeared Menalcus Southerland and Martha A. Southerland the wife, the grantors described in, and who signed the annexed deed, and severally acknowledged the due execution thereof, for the purposes therein expressed. And thereupon the said Martha A. Southerland being by me privately examined, apart from her said husband, touching her voluntary assent thereto, acknowledged that she had executed the same freely and without any fear or compulsion of her said husband, and did and does voluntarily assent thereto, and hereby relinquish her right of dower in said lands.

Whereupon let the said Deed and this certificate be Registered.

R. H. Timberlake
Probate Judge.

(Seal)

Personally appeared before us, John R. Bommarito and Neal Atkins two Justices of the Peace acting and duly qualified for the County of Franklin and State of North Carolina, Menalcus Southerland and his wife Martha A. Southerland citizens and residents of the said County of Franklin, known to us as such, who acknowledged their execution of the annexed deed. And the said Martha A. Southerland being examined by us privately and apart from her said husband touching her voluntary act to the said Deed, freely acknowledged before us that she executed the same of her own free will and accord, without any fear or compulsion of her said husband and that she still adheres to the same. December 30th 1872.

J. R. Bommarito (Seal)
Neal Atkins (Seal)

North Carolina }
Franklin County } I, R. H. Timberlake Clerk of the Superior Court for said County do hereby certify that John R. Bommarito and Neal Atkins two acting Justices of the Peace in and for said County, full faith and credit may be given to their official acts as such, and their signatures to the above acknowledgments are genuine.

Witness under my hand and seal of office this the 30th day of December A.D. 1872.

R. H. Timberlake C. S. C.
for Franklin County, By J. B. Hocton Deputy C. S. C.

(Seal)

Southampton County: In the Clerk's Office, January the 20th 1873.
This Deed of Bargain & Sale from Menalcus Southerland and his wife Martha A. Southerland to Allen Brantley, was this day received & together with the certificates thereto annexed, admitted to record.

Test.

L. W. Edwards Clk.

Delivered to A. Brantley Oct. 3. 93