

which said of said Wm. H. Hollard was late, about 1773, between Walter B. Hollard & Mary E. Hollard, his wife, of the wife, Joseph B. Barnes, Justice of the Peace, for and behalf of the Barnes of the said first act of Wm. H. Hollard, wherein she in consideration of the sum of £1000, given her by the said Wm. H. Hollard, as money to her wife to give & owing to the said Joseph B. Barnes, as aforesaid, as his heirs forever, with general attorney, to sell, let, lease, purvey, & retain all & certain land or parcels of land, bounded in the village of Franklin, Southampton County, bounded at the Star house and other buildings thereon, now belonging to the said Wm. B. Hollard, bounded by the land of J. B. Hollard, &c, where, I being, said Wm. B. Hollard,
 Walter R. Edwards (notary) for J. W. Norfolk to the said Wm. B. Hollard,
 by virtue of certain Deeds recorded in the Clerk's Office of Southampton
 County, dated 1773, 1774, 1775, and on the aforesaid attorney, shews belonging
 to him, known to me, & said of record acts with the said for eight
 hundred dollars, or less, to him, I am bound to pay the rate of eight
 per cent per annum and have accepted the same, and do bind
 myself to the said Wm. B. Hollard to take pleasure by reason of this
 act for the period of twelve months from the date, provided the interest
 on the debt herein is paid promptly over my, the subscriber, who is to say,
 Southampton County, residence, & in the discretion of the said Joseph
 H. Barnes, & it is further agreed by the said Wm. B. Hollard and
 Mary E. his wife, that the policy of Fire Insurance, he and I shall
 upon the Star House and building thereon be kept in full force, and
 should the building thereof be destroyed by fire, then the said
 Wm. B. Hollard agrees that in that case, the amount of the said
 yearly premium shall be paid first, and to the Insurance Company
 who further agrees by the parties hereto, that in case of loss
 should take place by reason of this act, it shall be after 21 days
 public notice in three or four public places in the said County
 and upon such time as the said Joseph H. Barnes may
 propose, and in said event, then shall be adjoined the sum of
 £1000, or a sum of money for payment upon gross sales and all
 reasonable attorney's fees, & when the following signature and
 seal

W. B. Hollard, Seal
 Mary E. Hollard, Seal
 J. B. Barnes, Seal

State of Virginia, County of Southampton, the 1st
 I, James D. Pitt, a Commissioner in Chancery for the County Court of Southampton
 in the State of Virginia do certify that Walter B. Hollard, Joseph B. Barnes,
 and Mary E. Barnes, whose names are signed to the writing above bearing
 date on the 1st day of June 1773, have acknowledged the same before
 me in my County aforesaid. That I do further certify that Mary E.
 Hollard, the wife of the said Walter B. Hollard, whom I have
 likewise signed to the writing above bearing date as aforesaid, formerly
 appeared before me, in my County aforesaid, and being examined of her, giving
 and avowing from the best of her knowledge and memory, the writing aforesaid fully, fully,
 and truly to be by the said Mary E. Hollard, acknowledged the said writing
 to be her act and deed, and declared the same for willingly executed
 the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this