Southampton County, In the Clerk's Office May 27th 1874.
This Deed of Homestead made by William S. Mills was received and admitted to record.

Teste, J. R. Edwards Clk.

This Deed made this 1st day of May A. D. 1874 between Samuel B. Mercantill of the one part and Wm. R. Mercantill of the other part, Witnesseth, that the said Samuel B. Mercantill doth grant unto the said Wm. R. Mercantill the following property to wit: One gray Mare and 1 black colt, 9 head of Cattle 3 hogs of pigs, 9 sheep, 1 buggy & harness, 1 Cart and wheels, 1 Bureau, household & kitchen furniture and the said Mercantill enters crops of Corn, fodder, peas & potatoes &c. pursuant to the model the present agreement and the interest of the said Mercantill in said Trust to secure the payment of a debt due Robert W. Pope & Walter T. Davidson of three hundred & ninety dollars & fifteen cents as delivered to Robt. W. Pope due 1st day of January 1875 — And whereas in making the future on which the said Mercantill insists it was agreed that should he fail to comply with certain promises made he should forfeit twenty five dollars which amount is included in the said sum of $390 Two dollars Now & hereby the said Mercantill fully comply & performed said promises he is to be credited for the sum of $25 in the settlement of the said debt — Witness the following signature and seal

S. B. Mercantill (Seal)

Examined & Recorded

Southampton County Do the Clerk's Office May 6th 1874.
This Deed of Trust from Samuel B. Mercantill to Wm. R. Mercantill Trustee for the benefit of R. W. Pope and Walter T. Davidson, was this day received and acknowledged by the said Mercantill to be his act and deed and admitted to record.

Teste J. R. Edwards Clk.

This Agreement made and entered into this 1st day of May A. D. 1874 between C. D. Barkham of the County of Southampton State of Virginia of the first part and J. M. Barkley of the County and State aforesaid, of the second part, Witnesseth, that party of the first part covenants and agrees to rent to the party of the second part a certain farm of his Rigby land near the Cross Roads in aforesaid County and State for the term of one hundred and twenty five dollars — And the party of the first part further agrees to furnish supplies to the said party of the second part to enable him to cultivate said farm and amount not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars to be furnished as follows viz: Corn and other things necessary to carry on said farm. Now the party of the second part in consideration of the premises as aforesaid stated agrees to cultivate said farm well make good fences and pay one hundred and twenty five dollars rent — And the party of the second part further agrees that the rent and supplies as aforesaid stated shall constitute a lien upon all his crops of every kind until the rent and advances as aforesaid shall be fully and completely paid, and the party of the second part also agrees that the party of the first part shall have full control of all his interest in so much as may be necessary to pay said rent and advances — And if necessary to sell at public sale he can do so by giving ten days notice — Given under our hands and seals this day and date as above written.

C. D. Barkham (Seal)
J. M. Barkley (Seal)

Virginia Southampton County to wit:

I, W. M. Boston a Notary Public for the County aforesaid certify that C. D. Barkham and J. M. Barkley whose names are signed to the above writing bearing date May 1st 1874 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 1st day of May 1874.

W. M. Boston N. P.