

Know All men by these presents, that I, *Frederick Simmons*, of the County of Southamptⁿ and State of Virginia, a Householder and head of a family do hereby certify and declare by this deed under my hand and seal, that I claim under act of the General Assembly of Virginia, providing for the manner in which householders or heads of families shall set apart and sold of household and personal property for the benefit of himself and family from and amongst personal estate a certain the following property to wit: All of my Crops made by me during the year 1874, of every kind and description whatsoever, valued at Seven hundred dollars, Household and kitchen furniture, valued at one hundred dollars, Farming implements, valued at Fifty dollars, Cows and Cattle valued at Fifty dollars, Hens, pigs, valued at Twenty five dollars, One Horse valued at one hundred dollars, One old buggy, valued at Five dollars. And all other property, not here mentioned or may come into my possession, not exceeding in amount One thousand dollars, as provided by the Act of the General Assembly. Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of Nov^r 1874.

Frederick Simmons (Seal)
made

Southampton County - In the Clerk's Office November 7th 1874.

This Deed of Homestead from *Frederick Simmons*, was this day received and acknowledged by said Simmons to be his act and deed and admitted to record.

Wm. H. Edwards C. C.

This Deed of Homestead and sale, made this 26th day of October 1874, between *Colgate J. Branch* grantor of the first part and *John H. Hammond* grantee of the second part, witnesses that in consideration of the sum of eight hundred dollars, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged the said *Colgate J. Branch* doth grant and convey to the said *John H. Hammond* and his heirs forever with general warranty, the following real estate lying in Southampton County Virginia, containing first acres to the same more or less, situated at *Branchville* depot, containing three acres, and all the appurtenances therewith attached, and the line of said parcel land is as follows, commencing at the line true in the County road running a straight line to a maple tree and off, continuing a straight line 66 degrees West of North to the *Thomas Road*, thence up the *Thomas Road* to the S. W. Corner thence down said said road to the County Road, thence down the County Road to the beginning, and said parcel or lot of land is bounded on the North by the land of *Wm. C. J. Thomas*, on the East by the land of *John Hammond* as the South by the S. W. Corner and on the East by the land of *John H. Williams*. Witness the following signatures and seals.

Col. J. Branch (Seal)

Virginia, Southampton County to wit:

I, *Wm. H. Edwards*, a Justice of the Peace for the County of said, certify that *Colgate J. Branch*, whose name is signed to the writing foregoing date October 26th 1874, has acknowledged the same before me in my County office. Given under my hand and seal this 26th day of October 1874.

Wm. H. Edwards J. P.

Southampton County - In the Clerk's Office November 9th 1874.

This Deed of Homestead and sale from *Colgate J. Branch* to *John H. Hammond* was this day received and together with the aforesaid private conveyance, admitted to record.

Wm. H. Edwards C. C.