

signed to the above instrument of writing bearing date May the 20th 1879, acknowledged the same before me in my said County of Linn under my hand this 20th day of May 1879.

David McKeever, Jr.

Southampton County in the Clerk's Office: June 16th 1879.
This Agreement between Geo. E. Beaton and John L. Beale was this day received, and with the certificate annexed, admitted to record.

Teste: L. R. Edwards, C. C.

State of Virginia
Southampton Co.

Articles of Agreement between John L. Beale of said County & State of Virginia of the first part & George E. Beaton, also of said County & State of the second part, to secure an Agricultural Lien according to an act of General Assembly of Va. Entitled "An act to secure advances for Agricultural purposes." Whereas the said John L. Beale being engaged in the cultivation of the soil, and being without the necessary means to cultivate his crop, & George E. Beaton have agreed to furnish goods and supplies to the said John L. Beale to an amount not to exceed Forty Dollars to enable him to cultivate and harvest his crops for the year 1879. And in consideration thereof, the said John L. Beale shall hereby give and convey to the said George E. Beaton a Lien upon all his Cotton crop to the amount of Forty Dollars - good seed Cotton grown in said County in said year, on the lands of Lawson Beale of said County. The above to be well and void should the amount loaned to be due on account of said advancement be discharged on or before the 15th day of November 1879. Otherwise the said Geo. E. Beaton Executors, Administrators or assigns are hereby authorized and empowered to seize the crops and property aforesaid, and sell the same together with the above for Cash after first advertising the same for ten days, and the proceeds thereof apply to the discharge of this Lien, together with the cost and expense of making and recording this Agreement, and the surplus to be paid to the said John L. Beale or his legal representatives. Witness the following signatures this 20th day of May 1879.

John L. Beale
George E. Beaton