

S. B. Gregory, Trustee, for the benefit of C. M. B. =
 art was this day received, and with the
 Certificate annexed, admitted to record.
 Test: L. R. Edwards C. C.

Encd. This Agreement made this 8th day of December
 the year 1879, between John Z. Yates of the first part
 and James Bird Jr of the other part both of the
 County of Southampton State of Virginia,
 Witnesseth as follows: Whereas, the said James
 Bird Jr is engaged in, or is about to engage
 in the cultivation of the soil, and is desirous
 that the said John Z. Yates shall during the
 present year make certain advances to the
 said cultivator of the soil, which the said
 John Z. Yates has agreed to do. Now this
 Agreement witnesseth, that the said John
 Z. Yates does hereby promise and agree to
 advance and furnish to the said James Bird
 Jr, during the present year, such monies, provis-
 ion, fertilizers and other supplies (not exceed-
 ing the sum of one hundred & twenty five
 dollars in amount) as may be needful to
 enable the said James Bird Jr to cultivate
 and gather his crops proposed to be made
 the present year. And the said James
 Bird Jr hereby gives and grants to the said
 John Z. Yates, a lien upon all such crops
 as he may make the present year to wit:
 Corn, Fodder, Hay, Peanuts Cotton and all
 other crops now or hereafter raised, in order to secure the payment
 for all supplies and advances as may be
 actually made, not exceeding the sum above
 stated. This Agreement is made in presen-
 ce of an act of the General Assembly of
 Virginia approved April 2nd 1873. Witness, our
 hands this 8th day of December 1879.

John Z. Yates -

James Bird Jr.
 (initials)

Southampton County, in the Clerk's Office Dec. 8th 1879
 This Agreement between James Bird Jr and
 John Z. Yates was this day received and
 acknowledged by the said parties thereto
 to be their act and deed, and admitted to
 record.

Test: L. R. Edwards C. C.