

before any legal conveyance was executed by the said Henry Browne deceased William Browne departed this life having first made his last will and testament and a codicil thereto annexed which Codicil bears date the twenty seventh day of March in thousand seven hundred and eighty one in which year will and Codicil were duly proved and recorded in the Court of the County of Surrey and in which amongst other things is the following clause I have purchased from Henry Browne deceased plantation and tract of land in Southampton County but have yet no conveyance of the same I now direct that the purchase be completed with and that a conveyance be made by the said Henry Browne to my son Benjamin Browne of the manor plantation and three hundred acres of land adjoining part thereof in fee simple as by the said will and Codicil relation being thereto has more fully and at large may appear and whereas the said Benjamin Browne by Virtue of the aforesaid Codicil into and was possessed of the said manor plantation and three hundred acres of land thereto adjoining and died so possessed leaving in his widow the aforesaid William Browne his eldest brother of the whole blood and Mary now the wife of Robert Cocke and John Browne his sister and brother of the last blood to whom the said lands have descended by the law of descent now in force. Know this indenture therefore witnesseth that as well in compliance of the last will and Codicil of the said William Browne deceased in confirmation of the agreement herein recited and also for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand pounds to the said Henry Browne in hand paid or secured by the executors of the said William Browne deceased the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge they the said Henry Browne and Elizabeth his wife have granted bargained sold aliened released and confirmed and by these presents and each of them doth grant bargain sell alien release and confirm unto the said William Browne Mary the wife of Robert Cocke and John Browne and to their heirs and assigns respectively all that plantation tract or parcel of land and premises with the appurtenances situate lying and lying in the County of Southampton on the west side the round Hill and Horse pen swamp containing by estimation three hundred acres including the manor or plantation late in the possession and occupation of the said Benjamin Browne deceased and bounded as follows to wit Beginning at the indigo branch up to the line late of John Woods land along that line to Thomas Woods line by Thomas Woods line to the Horse pen swamp down the swamp to Round Hill and up Round Hill to the beginning And all houses out houses edifices buildings Yards gardens orchards woods trees ways waters water courses profits commodities hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the said plantation tract or parcel of land and premises with the appurtenances belonging or in any wise unbelonging and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rents issues and profits therefrom all the estate right title interest