

1774 Received Dec 3^d 1774 of the within mentioned Benja^y Ruby the sum of Twentyfour
 pounds being the consideration money within mentioned

Witness
 Daniel Butts
 Rich^d Clements

Benjamin^{Lie} Clements
 mark

Miles Ruby } At a court held for the county of Southampton the 9th day of Apr^{il} 1775
 Samuel Calcut } This Indenture and the receipt thereon endorsed were proved by the oaths
 of Daniel Butts Miles Ruby and Samuel Calcut before of the within
 wrote and ordered to be recorded

Jam^s Kellogg

Ruby to
 Drury guardian
 to H. Drumbboth
 and sent
 delivered to
 Humphrey
 Drury
 June 1775

This Indenture made this 11th day of September in the year of our Lord 1774 between
 John Ruby of the one part and Humphrey Drury guardian to James Mecon of the other part
 of the county of Southampton Witnesseth that the said John Ruby as well for paying
 the sum of One hundred fifty eight pounds eleven shillings and ten pence with
 lawful Interest thereon to be ~~and~~ calculated from the 2^d Thursday of November 73
 till paid (being the amount of a judgment and costs obtained by the said Drury as
 Guardian to the said James Mecon against the said John Ruby as security for said
 Mecon for his Guardian to the said James on the day & date last mentioned with
 court of Southampton) as also for and in consideration of the sum of five Shillings
 to him the said John Ruby in hand paid by the said Humphrey Drury at
 a before the sealing and delivering these presents the receipt whereof the said
 Humphrey Drury doth hereby acknowledge Thus for the S^d John Ruby doth by
 these presents doth grant bargain sell make over and deliver unto the S^d Humphrey
 Drury Guardian to the S^d James Mecon the following Negro Slaves to wit
 Frank, Jeff, Sarah, Jimmy, Willis & Amos, to hold to the S^d Humphrey Drury
 Guardian to the said James Mecon and to his heirs Executors administrators &
 assigns forever with this proviso that no assignment hereof shall be made except to
 the said James Mecon when he arrives to the age of twenty one years or before
 that period to any other Guardian he may have or to his legal representatives
 Nevertheless in trust and upon this especial condition that the S^d James Mecon
 his heirs assigns shall at any time after the second Thursday of October next at
 such place and time as he or they may think proper or sooner if the said John Ruby shall
 request the same sale at public auction for the best price that can be had giving due
 public notice of the time & place of such sale the said James Mecon his heirs assigns shall
 of money sufficient to pay and satisfy him the said Drury his heirs assigns the sum of £100. 10. 0 and Interest as aforesaid and to obtain the same in his name
 for the purposes and in aforesaid & the surplus arising from the sale of the said land shall
 incident changes of this writing and those attending the sale the said John
 Drury his heirs Executors assigns doth hereby covenant & promise to pay to the said John
 John Ruby his heirs Executors assigns In witness whereof this is sealed
 to these presents have hereunto set their hands & seals the day & year above written
 and witnessed in presence of
 Daniel Butts
 Rich^d Clements
 John Ruby
 Humphrey Drury