

October 10th 1869.

State of North Carolina

Gaston County. This article of agreement is made and entered into in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine between Alfred Black and wife Mary Black of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina of the first part, and John Carpenter and wife Ella of the County & State above written of the second part, all of the County of Gaston & State of North Carolina, witnesseth, That the said Alfred Black & wife Mary Black on their part agree and obligate themselves to keep and support, viz, feed and clothe, and treat kindly in sickness and in health, the said John Carpenter and his wife Ella Carpenter all the time from the present date, to the death of both the said John Carpenter and wife Ella Carpenter. The said Alfred Black and wife Mary Black do further bind themselves to give all the medical attention and nursing that may be necessary to the said John Carpenter and wife Ella Carpenter, and at their death, to decently bury them and pay all their funeral expenses necessary to their interment. The above obligations on the part of the said Alfred Black and wife Mary Black, are conditioned as follows, viz, That the said John Carpenter and wife

of the second part, all of the County of Gaston & State of North Carolina, witnesseth, that the said Alfred Black & wife May Black on their part agree and obligate themselves to keep and support (viz) feed and clothe, and treat kindly in sickness and in health, the said John Carpenter & and his wife Ella Carpenter all the time from the present date, to the death of both the said John Carpenter & and wife Ella Carpenter. The said Alfred Black and wife May Black do further bind themselves to give all the medical attention and nursing that may be necessary to the said John Carpenter & and wife Ella Carpenter, and at their death to decently bury them and pay all their funeral expenses necessary to their interment. The above obligations on the part of the said Alfred Black and wife May Black, are conditioned as follows (viz) that the said John Carpenter & and wife Ella Carpenter, give unto the said Alfred Black & wife May Black, a plantation or piece of land in Gaston County North Carolina, adjoining lands of Frederick Carpenter and others, containing by estimation seventy five acres and also all other property to them belonging at their death, all the above land and all other

property as above to belong to the said Alfred Black and wife
Mary Black, at the death of the said John Carpenter, - and wife
Ella Carpenter. In testimony of the above obligation we signed our
names and affix our seals in presence of

John E. Hoke
Nash Dillingham.

Alfred Black seal
Mary Black seal

The said John Carpenter, - and wife Ella of the second part, obligated
themselves to give said Alfred Black and wife Mary Black
for them to have and hold in their own right forever after the
death of both of us, the above nearly five acres of land and all other
property that may belong to us at our death, provided the said Alfred
Black and wife Mary do faithfully keep the above obligation by them
made. In testimony of the above obligation we sign our names
and affix our seals in presence of

John E. Hoke
Nash Dillingham.

^{my} John Carpenter. seal
^{my} Ella Carpenter. seal
^{there}

State of North Carolina Probate Court
Gaston County. May 5th 1871.

J. E. Hoke and Nash Dillingham, being sworn say