

This Deed made this fifteenth day of August in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty four between Mary E. Schermer and William D. Wellman and Mary M. Wellman his wife of the one part and George C. Round Trustee for Maitland C. Bennett of the other part, witnesseth that the said Parties of the first part in consideration of Two dollars do grant unto the said George C. Round Trustee the following property, to wit all that tract upon which the parties of the first part now reside, now Manassas in the County of Prince William and State of Virginia, which was bequeathed by the late Benjamin Johnson to his wife Mary Schermer who is the source as the Mary E. Schermer above named, by the last Will and Testament of the said Benjamin Johnson recorded in Liber T of Wills page 307 in the records of Prince William County described therein by said Testator as follows "Beginning at my corner stone in Gethrye field Known as the back fence running eastly with my line and Charles Bennett's line Known as 'fork field' to a point between the first and second Cherry trees on the line of fence east of my gate, thence North easterly a straight line passing between the two tenant houses to the line of their line north westerly to a Bee oak, thence South westerly to the beginning to make two hundred Acres being all the real estate inherited by said parties from the said Johnson.

We trust to come to Maitland C. Bennett or order in accordance with us notes or bonds of our date herewith, intent to begin Sept: 2<sup>nd</sup> 1884, the payment of the sum of One thousand dollars ("1000") due five years from date, with interest payable semiannually on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February and August of each year, making homestead and executed by the said Mary E. Schermer and William D. Wellman, the parties of the first part, who likewise agreed to keep the buildings on said property unruined yet at least Five hundred dollars to further secure the said debt to said Maitland C. Bennett. & in event that default shall be made in the payment of the above mentioned note or note and taxes due and payable, or in the event of default in the payment of any instalment of interest for more than Ninety days (90) then the trustee, on being required so to do by the said Maitland C. Bennett or his executors, administrators, or assigns, since the property hereby conveyed, And it is contracted and agreed between the parties aforesaid, that in case of a sale the same shall be made after first advertising the time, place and terms thereof for Four

by said Testator as follows: Beginning at my corner stone in Godfrey's field known as the  
Cook farm running eastward with my line and Charles Bennett's line known as "fork field" to  
a point between the first and second Cherry trees on the line of fence east of my gate,  
then North easterly a straight line passing between the two tenant houses to the line of their line  
north westerly to a live oak, thence South westerly to the beginning to make two hundred acres  
being all the real estate inherited by said parties from the said Johnson.

In Trust to secure to Mathias C. Bennett or order in accordance with a note or bond of  
our date herewith, interest to begin Sept: 2<sup>d</sup> 1881, the payment of the sum of One thousand dollars  
(\$1000) due five years from date, with interest payable semiannually on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February and  
August of each year, naming Homestead and executed by the said Mary E. Selman and William  
D. Hillcoxen, the parties of the first part, who likewise agreed to keep the buildings on said property  
valued at least \$1000 hundred dollars to further secure the said debt to said Mathias C.  
Bennett. By the event that default shall be made in the payment of the above mentioned note  
or note and interest due and payable, or in the event of default in the payment of any  
installment of interest for more than Ninety days (90) days, then the trustee, on being required so  
to do by the said Mathias C. Bennett or his executors, administrators, or assigns, since the property  
hereby conveyed, and as commanded and agreed between the parties aforesaid, that in case of  
a sale, the same shall be made after first advertising the time, place and terms thereof for Four  
Weeks in some newspaper published in the County of Gravo Williams, or circulating therein, and upon the  
following terms, to ride for Cash as to so much of the proceeds as may be necessary to defray  
the expenses of executing this trust, and to discharge the amount of money then payable upon the  
said note or bond, being the amount of \$1000 and interest from date, less any payments made thereon  
before said sale, and if there be any residue of said purchase money, the same shall be made payable  
at such time, and be secured in such manner as the said Mary Selman or her executors adminis-  
trators, or assigns shall prescribe and direct, or in case of his or their failure to give such di-  
rections at such time, and in such manner, as the said trustee shall think fit:

The said Mary E. Selman and William D. Hillcoxen concur to pay all taxes, assessments, dues and charges  
upon the said property hereby conveyed, so long as they or their heirs shall hold the same, and  
hereby waive the benefit of their Homestead exemption as to the debt secured by this deed  
if no default shall be made in the payment of the above mentioned debt, thus upon the request

of the said party of the first part a good and sufficient deed of release shall be executed to them, and the said party of the first part hereby covenant that Edmund Scherman the husband of the said Mary E. Scherman has no right in said property and that he has released all claim to any property of his said wife by an instrument recorded in Fairfax Libes V page 3221 of the records of said County. Witness our signatures and seals

In presence of

J. C. Means

One made and in due & due manner before acknowledgement

W. D. Millerow

*[Signature]*

Mary E. Scherman

*[Signature]*

Mary Millerow

*[Signature]*

State of Virginia, County of Prince William to wit

I J. C. Means a Notary Public for the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia, do certify that W. D. Millerow and Mary E. Scherman whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid, Given under my hand this 2<sup>d</sup> day of September 1884

J. C. Means Notary Public

State of Virginia, County of Prince William, to wit

I J. C. Means Notary Public for the County of Prince William in the State of Virginia do certify that Mary Millerow the wife of W. D. Millerow whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1884 personally appeared before me in the County aforesaid, and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Mary Millerow acknowledged the said writing to be her act, and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this 2<sup>d</sup> day of September 1884

J. C. Means Notary Public

State of Virginia, County of Prince William

I J. C. Means Notary Public in and for said County in the state of Virginia, do certify that Mary E. Scherman the wife of the said Edmund Scherman, whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 15<sup>th</sup> of August 1884 personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid, and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Mary E. Scherman acknowledged the said writing to be her act, and declared that she had willingly executed the same and