THIS INDENTURE made this 15th day of December in the year of Our Lord 1854 between **SHEPHERD DRAIN** and **SARAH** his wife of Broad Creek hundred of the county of Sussex in state of Delaware of the one hand and **JOHN HOPKINS** of the hundred and county for said and state of Delaware of the other part.

WITNESSETH that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of \$40 off of money of the United States of America to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part at or before these sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have, and each of them hath, granted bargained and sold, aligned, and enfeoffed, and released, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do and each of them grant, bargain and sell, alien, enfeoff, release, convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns all that certain lot, peace or parcel of land situated in Broad Creek Hundred in the county aforesaid the meets, bounds, courses and distances whereof are as follows to wit.

Beginning at a Mulberry tree stand at or near high-water mark and on the North or North east side of Broad Creek the said tree being the beginning of a deed from the said **SHEPHERD DRAIN** and wife to a certain **ROBERT HOPKINS** for 1 acre of land and running from said beginning with the lines of said **ROBERT**'s lot north 29½ degree East 16 pole and from thence North 62½ degrees west 10 poles to a post near a Glade or swamp; thence along and by the side of the said Glade or swamp South 27½ degrees west quite down to said waters of Broad Creek aforesaid and from thence up and binding with the said Waters a Broad Creek, thence to the place of beginning.

Containing one acre of land, be at the same, more or less, and all and singular the buildings, fixtures, ways, woods, waters, water courses, easements, improvements, hereditaments, premises, and appurtenances to the singular piece parcel or tract of land belonging or in any wise appertaining and the premises, reversion or reversion or revisions, remainders and premises and prophets thereof and ??? right, title, interest, property claim and demand of them, the said parties after the first part at law or in equity, of, to, in, or out of the same and every part and parcel thereof to have and to hold the land and premises here by bargained and sold or intended to be with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, to and for the only proper use, benefit, and behoof of him, the said party of the second part his, his heirs and assigns from and the said parties of the first part for themselves there are, executive orders and administrators does hereby further grant, covenant and agree, to and with the said parties of the second part his heirs and assigns, the land and premises hereby bargain and sold or intended to be with the appurtenances against them, the said parties of the first part their heirs, executors, and administrators, and against all persons claiming, or lawfully to claim, by through or under them, unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, to the said parties of the first shall and will warrant and forever defend.

In witness whereof they the said parties of the first part have hereunto respectively set their hands and seals the day and year first year in written.

SHEPHERD DRAIN {seal, his x mark}
SARAH DRAIN {seal, her x mark}

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

C. C. Windsor
[Thomas] W. Records [Notary]

State of Delaware Sussex County

Be it proclaimed that on this 15th day of December A. D. 1854 personally came for me **THOMAS W. RECORDS** a notary public for the state of Delaware **SHEPHERD DRAIN** and **SARAH DRAIN** his wife parties to this indenture known to me personally to be such and severally acknowledged this indenture to be their deed and the said **SARAH DRAIN** being at the same time privately examined by apart from her husband acknowledged that she executed the said indenture willing willingly without compulsion or threat or fear of her husband's displeasure.

Given under my hand and seal of office the day and year aforesaid.

THOMAS W. RECORDS, N. S. P

This deed was judged in the records lodged in the Records Office in and for Sussex County on Ninth day of March 1855.

Chs. **SAMUEL RECORDS**

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