

Thousand Seven hundred and fifty Six Between William
 Lock Weems of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland
 Gentleman of the first Part Nathaniel Chapman of Charles
 County in the Province aforesaid Merchant of the second
 Part and Amelia Chapman of the County and Province
 last mentioned Spinster of the third part. Whereas a
 Marriage is intended by Gods Grace shortly to be had and
 solemnized by and Between the said William Lock Weems
 and the said Amelia Chapman (daughter of the said
 Nath^l Chapman) Now this Indenture Witnesseth
 that for and in Consideration of the said intended Marriage
 and of the Sum of five hundred pounds to the said
 William Lock Weems in hand paid by the said Nath-
 =aniel Chapman at or before the Sealing and delivery of
 these Presents as and for the Marriage Portion of the
 said Amelia Chapman the Receipt whereof the said
 William Lock Weems doth hereby acknowledge and
 thereof and of every part thereof doth Acquit release
 and Discharge the said Nathaniel Chapman his heirs
 Executors and Administrators by these Presents and for
 Providing a competent Furniture and livelihood for the
 said Amelia Chapman in case she shall after the
 intended Marriage happen to survive the said William
 Lock Weems her intended husband and for setting the
 Lands and Slaves herein after mentioned upon the Trusts
 and to and for the uses Intents and Purposes with and
 (under)