

the within recited premises & condition herein mentioned & appointed for the payment thereof: And the said Robert B. Hazzard, for himself, his executors & Administrators, all & singular the said Crop of Wheat & Corn by these presents granted, bargained & sold, and every part thereof, unto the said John J. Stewart, his executors, administrators & assigns, against him the said Robert B. Hazzard, his executors, administrators, and against all & every other person or persons whatsoever, shall & will warrant & forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof the said Robert B. Hazzard hath hereunto set his name & affixed his seal the day & date within recited.

Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of } Robert B. Hazzard (Seal)  
Charles Cochran }

Maryland, Dorchester County, To wit:

On the twenty seventh day of December in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace in & for said County, Robert B. Hazzard, party Mortgagor, and acknowledged the within & foregoing Mortgage Bill of sale to be his act and deed, according to the purport, true intent & meaning of the same: And at the same time came before me Charles Cochran, party Mortgagee within mentioned, and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the considerations set forth in this Mortgage Bill of sale is true & bona fide as therein set forth, according to the true meaning of the act of Assembly of 1846, Chapter 271, made & provided.

Acknowledged before Charles Cochran.

Francis P. Phelps  
& John D. Farguhanson }  
from } 65

Be it remembered & it is hereby certified that the following Bill of sale was recorded on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December A. D. 1850, To wit:

Know all men by these presents that I, John D. Farguhanson, of Dorchester County & State of Maryland, for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred & sixty dollars, current money, to me in hand paid by Francis P. Phelps of Dorchester County & State of Maryland, have granted, bargained & sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain & sell, unto the said Francis P. Phelps, his heirs and assigns, Negro Man Joseph or Lonick Higgins to serve twelve years & five months from the first day of January Eighteen hundred & fifty one, slave for term of years as aforesaid, and bound in body & mind: To have and to hold the said Negro Man Joseph or Lonick Higgins for the term of twelve years & five months as aforesaid from January 1<sup>st</sup> 1851, as above bargained & sold unto the said Francis P. Phelps, his heirs, executors, administrators & assigns, against me the said John D. Farguhanson, my heirs, executors & administrators, and against all and every other persons or persons whatsoever, shall & will warrant and forever defend.

In testimony whereof I, John D. Farguhanson, and Francis P. Phelps

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Decr 1850