

on the first day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven, bound as an apprentice by John W. Hudson, S. W. Rosse and Edwin James Justices of the Orphans' Court for Dorchester County; unto Zachariah Skinner, until she the said Mary Ellen Nicols shall arrive to the age of sixteen years; (under act of 1839.) And the said Zachariah Skinner, being here present in Court to take the said Mary Ellen Nicols, as an apprentice, until she shall arrive to said age: And the said Zachariah Skinner, doth also on his part acknowledge himself bound, and by these presents doth contract, promise, and agree, to teach said apprentice or cause her to be taught plain sewing and housework, and to supply her with suitable clothing and maintenance, during her apprenticeship; and when free to give her the sum of ten dollars in cash and two suits of clothing: And the said Zachariah Skinner doth further contract, promise and agree to give his said apprentice, when free, the sum of two Dollars in cash, in lieu of Education, in addition to the Freedom dues above required to be given. — In Testimony Whereof we hereunto subscribe our names and affix our seals to this Indenture, this first day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

Signed, sealed and delivered
 in the presence of
 A. W. Selmonte

John W. Hudson Seal } Justices of
 S. W. Rosse Seal } Orphans' Court for
 Edwin James Seal } Dorchester County.
 Zachariah Skinner Seal

Thomas Hooper }
 v. }
 Thodore Phillips }
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 doth remember and it is hereby certified, that the following Mortgage Debt was received and recorded on the 11th day of June, Anno Domini 1857, to wit United States of America, State of Maryland, to wit: Whereas Theodore Phillips, is justly and bona fide indebted to Thomas Hooper, in the sum of One hundred and eighty five Dollars and eighty six Cents, for work and materials furnished in repairs done to the Schooner "Increase," and has made and passed to said Hooper his two promissory notes bearing date herewith, one for ninety two Dollars and eighty one Cents payable at six months after date, the other for ninety three Dollars and five Cents payable at nine months after date, both payable to the order of Thomas Hooper, and to secure the payment of said notes at maturity these presents are executed. Now Know all men by these presents, that I, Theodore Phillips, Sole owner of Consideration of the sum of One Hundred & eighty five Dollars & eighty six Cents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said Thomas Hooper his executors, administrators or assigns, all that Schooner or Vessel Called the "Increase," of Vienna M^d. together with all her masts, Yards, Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, Boats, Tackle, Apparel and appurtenances, as she now lies and is more particularly described in a Certificate of Enrollment granted her at the port of Vienna, M^d in the following words: —

"No 422 party and Enrollment in conformity to an Act of the Congress of the United States of America, entitled "An Act for enrolling and licensing Ships or Vessels to be employed in the Coasting Trade & Fisheries, and for regulating the same, Theodore Phillips of Somerset County State of Maryland, owner and Master, having taken or subscribed the oath required by the said Act, and having sworn that he is a citizen of the United States, sole owner of the Ship or vessel, called the "Increase," Vienna M^d. whereof Theodore Phillips, is at present Master, and as he hath sworn is a Citizen of the United States, and that the said Ship or Vessel was built in Somerset County State of Maryland, during the Year Eighteen Hundred and fifty three, as per Enrollment No 7 granted at this office

