

in Alabama of my said deceased brother John A Townes as well as the real & personal Estate situated in the State of South Carolina or elsewhere, also all debts & claims due me for moneys unpaid & owing for sales costs or other claims arising from the office of commissioner in Equity Except the bonds & other claims officially transferred & transferable by me to my successor in office. This assignment & conveyance aforesaid is absolute & without condition on the consideration aforesaid Except that should it require the whole amount to meet my official liabilities before repaying advances of a private nature the said G H Townes shall first pay & apply the proceeds of the same in settlement of all such liabilities & hold & keep the balance to himself & his heirs forever, in satisfaction of my indebtedness to him & if more of my brothers Estate shall be released by him than sufficient to pay all such indebtedness then it is expected & agreed on his part to pay & apply such overplus to my unsettled debts that I may be owing in the District of Greenville to residents of said District heretofore contracted by me in the whole or in said proportions as he may be able from the proceeds & amount of the matters assigned & conveyed as aforesaid. It is understood, also that if the Estate should finally on settlement make up to each of the distributees a sum which still exceeds the debts & claims aforesaid specified to be settled by the said G H Townes for me that he is willing & hereby agrees to account to me for such excess and the said G H Townes is hereby invested with full power & authority to use my name in all matters for the settlement and receipt of my interest in said Estate of John A Townes deceased & to give all receipts & execute all deeds & papers the same as I could do in my own behalf.

In testimony whereof I have herunto affixed my hand & seal this
20th January 1862 " " signed sealed and delivered in presence
of J W Stokes
J L Barnwell

I accept the foregoing deed according
to the true intent and meaning of the same
Witness J W Stokes G H Townes

State of South Carolina

Greenville District John W Stokes personally appears
and makes oath before me that he saw Samuel A Townes
sign seal & deliver the within deed for the uses & purposes
therein mentioned & that J L Barnwell was a subscribing
witness to the same with himself. he also swears that he
witnessed the signature of acceptance of G H Townes to said
deed, February 7th 1862. Sworn to and subscribed before
me W A McDaniel J W Stokes

c. c. p & magt
Ex officio G L

Recorded for 7th July 1862