

being at a station on the Cape Creek road and running  
 N 37° 23' 40" E. to a stake 37. m. m. thence S 80° 31' W. 106.4  
 to a Post Oak 37. thence S 13° 27' 72.5" E. to a stake 37. thence  
 S 44° 12' 76.9" E. to a black oak 37. thence S 1° E. 1.761. abo  
 to an ash 37. near John Law's old Springs. thence with  
 the Meanders of the branch to a Maple 37 in the  
 fork of the two branches. thence with the Meanders  
 of the other branch to a Post Oak 37. near the branch  
 thence S 81° 3' E. 7.51 to the beginning corner on the  
 Cape Creek road containing forty Acres more or less  
 to have and to hold the above said tract of land and  
 all privileges and appurtenances thereto, to my son  
 to the said Wm. Prichett his heirs and assigns for  
 ever to them only use and behoof - And the said  
 parties of the first part covenants that they are  
 seized of said premises in fee, and have right  
 to convey the same in fee simple, that the same  
 are free from all incumbrances, and that they  
 will warrant and defend the said title to the  
 same, against the claims of all persons whomsoever.  
 In testimony whereof the said parties of the first part  
 hereunto set their hand and seal this day and  
 year above written

Attest: } Wm. Duckworth Seal  
 } Emily Duckworth Seal  
 Wm. Springfield  
 Wm. Wilson

North Carolina, Transylvania County, I J. M. Wilson  
 and J. C. H. C. certify that Wm. Duckworth and  
 Emily Duckworth his wife, personally appeared  
 before me this day and acknowledged the due  
 execution of the aforesaid deed of conveyance, and  
 the said Emily Duckworth the being by me privately  
 by examining, separately and apart from her said  
 husband, touching her voluntary execution of  
 the same, doth state that she signed the same  
 freely and voluntarily, without fear or compulsion  
 of her said husband or any other person, that she  
 doth still voluntarily assent thereto.

Witness my hand and seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January 1884  
 J. M. Wilson J.P.  
 State of North Carolina }  
 Transylvania County }

on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 1884 the foregoing deed signed  
 by William Duckworth and Emily Duckworth  
 together with the certificate and seal of J. M. Wilson,  
 Justice of the Peace for said County, was  
 exhibited before me J. H. Duckworth Clerk of the Su-  
 preme Court for said County, and is adjudged  
 to be in due form and according to Law.  
 J. H. Duckworth,  
 Clerk Supr. Court.

Entered in the Auditor's Office Recorded for 22 Feb. 1884.  
 J. J. Donahue Master The State of North Carolina }  
 } } Dnd County of Transville }  
 } } Court of Common Pleas }  
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To all  
 to whom these presents shall come; I, J. J. Donahue Master  
 in and for the County aforesaid. Send greeting.  
 Whereas Thomas M. Mahala. Martin on or about the 6<sup>th</sup> day  
 of December in the year of our Lord eight hundred  
 and eighty three exhibited his Complaint in the  
 Court of Common Pleas, for the County aforesaid a-  
 gainst William D. Martin in his own right and as  
 administrator of the estate of Robert Martin decas-  
 ed, Edward D. Martin and James J. Martin, demand-  
 ing judgment in relation to the real estate therein  
 in after mentioned and described; and the cause  
 being at issue, came on to be heard, on the 27<sup>th</sup>  
 day of December 1883, and such proceedings were  
 had therein as resulted in a decretal order of  
 the said Court, whereby it was adjudged and  
 decreed that the said real estate therein after men-  
 tioned and described, be sold by J. J. Donahue  
 Master in and for the County aforesaid, on the terms  
 and for the purposes mentioned in the said de-  
 cretal order, as by reference to the same in file in  
 said Court will appear, and the said Master  
 after having duly advertised the said real estate  
 for sale by public outcry on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Febru-  
 ary in the year of our Lord eight hundred  
 and eighty four, did then publicly and lawfully  
 and according to the custom of Auctioneers, sell  
 and dispose of the same unto Robert Mahala  
 and Thomas C. Harris for the sum of Seven  
 hundred Dollars being at that time the highest