

Wilson Barton & Rebecca Lightner Contract
 This indenture made an entered into the
 17th day of January in the year of our
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and
 forty nine between Wilson Barton of the one
 part and Rebecca Lightner of the other part, with both their hands
 and seals, in witness whereof the said Wilson Barton and
 the said Rebecca Lightner and whereas they have agreed to marry and to
 be as follows hereafter written their marriage contract that the said Rebecca
 Lightner agrees to give up all her possessions real and personally property
 which she now has in her possession and in case the said
 Rebecca Lightner should die before the said Wilson Barton, she
 gives to him by this marriage contract the home plantation on which
 she now lives and one half of her negroes, except one girl Prary, the
 eldest child of Mahaly, and the said Rebecca Lightner agrees
 herself in this marriage contract her silver plantation and household
 and kitchen furniture farming tools and stock of every kind to dispose
 of at her death as she may choose to do, the said Rebecca Lightner
 to hereby relinquish all claim, right or title in the said Wilson Barton prop-
 erty of every kind which he now possesses or hereafter may possess. And the
 said Wilson Barton doth agree in case he should die before the said Rebecca
 Lightner, that all the property that the said Rebecca Lightner gives
 to him in this marriage contract shall return to her again and the said Wilson
 Barton for and in consideration of the home plantation and half the negroes
 and use of all her property during all her natural lifetime do agree to and
 by the said Rebecca Lightner, a decent and respectable support and
 the said Wilson Barton doth agree that if the said Rebecca Lightner
 should not live longer than one year after our marriage, to relinquish
 claim to the half of her negroes which she has in this marriage contract
 given to me and the said Wilson Barton doth agree at her or their
 Rebecca Lightners death to return twenty five head of mules, old
 hogs, and twenty five pigs and six milch cows and calves, two small yokes of
 oxen and six yearlings and one hundred and ten dollars worth of horses and
 the said Wilson Barton doth agree that he shall not be accountable for the death of any
 of those negroes whose names follow, Stephen, Viny, Rachael, Daniel, Corn
 Charles, James, Mahaly, Harriet, Armstrong, Mandy, and the said Rebecca Light-
 ner doth agree that Mr Barton shall have half the increase of those negroes
 also if there be any increase, this marriage contract made and entered into
 when we have set our hands and seals, this 17th day of Jan, 1849

Witness my hand and seal, this 17th day of Jan, 1849
 Wilson Barton
 Rebecca Lightner
 I, Alfred Cartrell, a Justice of the Peace for the County of
 Smith Carolina, do hereby certify that the said Wilson
 Barton and Rebecca Lightner, signed and delivered the within instrument of matrimony
 to the uses and purposes therein mentioned and that Nancy Murry, an Amanda Painter and
 with himself witnesses to the same, in my non subscribed before me this 17th day of Jan, 1849
 Recorded for the 7th Nov 1853
 by J. Hooker, C. M. C. Original delivered to a Gen. Treas.

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