

Adolphus, Contract to be Hired Out, 1865

Transcription

\$800.—

Petersburg, Va., January 2, 1865

We Promise to Pay to Miss S. J. Walthall the sum of Eight hundred Dol to be paid in two equal instalments, as follows: Four hundred dollars on the 1st day of July, 1865, and Four hundred dollars on the 1st day of January, 1866, for the hire of a NEGRO SLAVE, named Adolphus for the year 1865, said Slave is to be comfortably clothed and humanely treated—during the year to be furnished with two pair of shoes, and to be returned at Christmas next, well clad, and furnished with Blanket or other covering that; and it is further understood that the said Slave is not to be carried out of the State of Virginia.

Witness our hands and seals the day and year above.

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Susan X Monroe

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Jas. M. Colson

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