

them twice lately all day, I think is the reason they are so at least they have been worse ever since. I went to Flemingsburg and Mt Carmel to get our spring clothing. the babes are not walking yet one of them for sometime has been getting up in the floor, and has taken two or three steps, but when we want to learn them they will not try, they are trying to talk very and can make a pretty good out of it, they are considered very pretty and very smart for twins, but I must not tire you out writing about them for there is plenty of others to write about.

I suppose you ^{have} heard before this of Aunt Pelly's death, as she has been dead several weeks, they say uncle Rowland is very cheerful and riding around among his friends and going to church very often poor old man, I expect he is ~~very~~ lonely without her I think they lived together about 65 or 6 years Aunt Pelly's death will be regretted very much she was a good kind old lady she has been like a mother to me since I have been out here,

Mrs Fleming's girls moved out Saturday they have been keeping house in town. I believe they are expecting some boarders the first of next month, how are our brothers and sisters and all of their little and big ones getting along, tell Brother Robert I did not think that going to town would make him so proud in his old days that he can't write to his sister once in a while if she does live on ~~fox~~, he did not write much before he left Kinross but I thought he was like me, so much out of the way of civilization and every thing else that he could find nothing to write about, tell him and Jo to come out here this summer I have something to show them, but tell them not to come until I get something to eat for me have 10 or 12 of these long fellows out here at work and it takes so much to fill them you know I want to have

some chickens and other things, we are repairing our back room
tearing down the walls and rebuilding and enlarging our pantry
and stove room and are going to get a new stove &c

Fry June 20th

Dear Sister you will see by the first part of my letter that it
has been written sometime I tried to get it done before Mr Fountain
started to Lewis but I did not succeed, and as I heard you had gone to
Decatur and did not know how long you would be there, I have not atten-
pted it since until the present, and as my time for writing is so uncer-
tain, I thought I would finish the old letter instead of commencing a
new one, we are all very well at this time Bobbie has had the toothache
for two or three days very bad the babes have got well again they look
funny but eat very hearty and are very lively Mr Fountain has gone
to see uncle Rowland, will be back tomorrow and bring him with him
if he will come to stay a while, we had Aunt Lucy Ann Parker aunt
Milly Cunningham and Aunt Polly Jones to see us this last week some
of their children with them I tell you they were a large set of women
Aunt Milly weighs 280 or upward I think she is the largest woman I
ever recollect of seeing she is taller than I am, Mrs Flemings family are well
they have one boarder a young lady, ^{from} Chicago she spent the summer here
last year, I believe they are expecting others soon I have been to Mr Flemings
two or three times to eat strawberries and ice cream they have had the finest
I ever seen, Well Sister this has been a very busy ^{spring} with me I have had the most
of my gardening to do or to attend to, my house cleaning too was the most of it
on my hands I have made another piece of carpeting for my room very pretty
for nags I get but very little time for sewing I got a girl to come and sew
for me two week but she could only do common sewing, and not very well
either I dont see how I am to get through with my sewing without I get
a sewing machine Mr Fountain intended getting me one this spring, but

to get it

the times got so hard I would not ask him, he speaks of going to Cincinnati in July if he does I expect ^{he will get it} Mrs Fleming has one she has had hers a year and sewed on it constantly and it does as well now as it did the day she bought it they do very nice sewing on it theirs is Grover & Baker's I want to get one of the same as they have promised to learn me how to use it if I do, Mr Fountain ^{thinks} if we take a visit this summer or fall that it will be to see you, but I have not much hope of visiting anywhere for my family is so large now that I can't take all with me, and I don't know where I could get to stay with them I could not trust them to frolic altogether, you know aunt Nelly was always so good to keep house for me, I miss her now, besides I think the trouble I would have with my two babies would overbalance the pleasure it would give me which would not be little I judge from the trouble that one gives, I have only had them from home a day at a time, Ella has been at home all winter and spring indeed it has been nearly a year since she has been at home not hardly know what to do about sending her to school if we could get a good private teacher to come we would like it very much she done very well through the winter we boarded the school teacher and she would study through the day and recite to him in the evening she learned as fast almost as if she had been at school tell Lute I think it is almost time she was writing aunt Lute a letter I expect she will beat Ella writing for she has no taste at all for it why did you not come by there on your way to or from Decatur I would be so glad to see you, I got a letter from Susan two or three days ago that had been written nearly a month I don't know why I did not get it sooner it was written before you went over there, Mr Doyle called at the fence yesterday and said that my brother had requested him to call and let us know that you were all well in Greeneup but he could not tell me whether you had got home or not, give my love to all brothers sisters and children write to me soon and let me know how you enjoyed your visit kiss the children I want to see that boy of yours very bad I would like to have a baby whom I think mine will come with most any one in point of beauty I have made a great many mistakes I hope you will look over them your affectionate sister L. A. Fountain

This deed is in the handwriting
of my father J. H. Miller - J. H. M.

This Indenture made this 1st day of **October**
in the year of our Lord, 1858, Between, James H. Miller
& Harriet E. Miller his wife of the first part, of the
State of Virginia and County of Mason, and Thos
Maupin, W. Whitehead, W. Abong, Rankin ^{Hill} & James N.
Miller

Trustes in Trust for the uses
and purposes hereinafter mentioned all of the
County & State of aforesaid of the other part; Witnesseth
that the said James H. Miller & Harriet E. Miller his wife
for & in consideration of the love they bear for the
Cause of Religion; do give, and grant and by these
Instruments convey unto them the said Thos Maupin
William Whitehead, W. Abong Rankin Hill & J. N. Miller Trustes
and their Successors, ~~the~~ all the estate, right, title,
interest, property, claim, and demand, whatsoever,
either in law or equity which ~~they~~ the said party of
the first part have in or to a certain lot or piece
of land lying and being in the County & State of aforesaid
Bennetts as follows. Beginning at a poplar by the
Road below the left hand fork of Nine Mile Creek
in the upper line of Johnathan Hill's land; thence
leaving said line, and with the Road S 70° E 8 poles
and 7 links to a buck near the Bank of said Creek
thence leaving the said Road and Creek S 31° W 22
poles to a Hickory near a drain, then N 70° W 5 poles
and 12 links to a stake in said Hill's line and then
with said line N 33° E 21 poles and 12 links to the
Beginning; Containing 3 Rods and 32 poles

To have and to hold all the above mentioned and
described piece of land situated, lying, and being, as
aforesaid; together with all the privileges thereto
belonging, or in any wise appertaining, unto them the
said Trustes and their Successors, ~~in~~ office for ever
in Trust, that they shall erect and build, or cause to

be ~~directed~~ and built thereon a House of worship
for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal
Church, South, and the said parties of the first
by their presents warrant, and given defined
the before mentioned and described piece of land
with the appurtenances thereto belonging unto them
said Trustee and their Successors Chosen and ^{appointed}
as aforesaid, from the claim of the said party
of the first, then his assigns & In testimony
whereof the said party of the first part, have
hereunto set their hands & seals this day and
year aforesaid.

Joe H. Miller

H. E. Miller

Seal
Geo. H. Miller
Seal
H. E. Miller

State of Virginia, Mason Co. To wit -
We Apollo Stephenson & Saml. Couch Justices
of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid do
hereby Certify that Harriet E. Miller wife of Joe H.
Miller whose name is Signed to the within
warrant annexed bearing date October 18/1838
Personally appeared before us in the County
aforesaid, and being examined by us Privately
and apart from her husband declare that
she had willing executed the same and
does not wish to retract it, and desires
us to Certify the same to the County Clerk
of Mason. Given under our hands
this the

Apollo Stephenson J.P.
Saml. Couch J.P.

State of Virginia Mason Co Court

I Saml. Couch Justice of the Peace
in and for the County of Mason do hereby certify
that James H Miller whose name is signed
to the writing hereto annexed bearing date
October 18 1838; hath appeared before me
and acknowledged the same, to be
his act and deed, and he desires me to certify
the same to the Clerk of the Mason County
Court, Give ye man my hand this the
day of

Saml. Couch J.P.

Virginia Mason County Court Clerks Office October
the 28th 1838. This deed of conveyance from J. H. Miller & wife
to Thomas H. Maupin & others Trustees for the Methodist E.
Church South ~~was this day~~ bearing date on the first
day of October 1838, was this day presented to
me in my Office aforesaid and together with
the certificates of acknowledgment thereto annexed,
admitted to record - List
James H. Holliday Clerk

1858: Reed

This Indenture,

between

Benjamin G. Shy & daughter
James H. Buppington

made this

29th

day of

Sept^r

1859

of the first part,

of the second part, and

706 Buppington place

of the third part, witnesses, that whereas the said parties

of the first part is justly indebted to said party

of the third part, in the sum of

hundred and twenty five

dollars and

forty eight cents, due by

the 29th day

of Sept^r 1860

the payment of which

they

willing and desirous to secure.

Now this indenture further

witnesses, that for and in consideration of the premises, and for the further consideration of one dollar to said party

of the second part, in hand

paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, they the said parties of the first part have bargained, sold, and conveyed, and by these

presents do

bargain, sell, and convey, to said party

of the second part, his

heirs and assigns forever, the following

property

To wit: the several in our names held over Spotho man name Adell
and one two horse waggon and gear, one large plow and stack of hay
and the farming of John H. Buppington, the property of the said
C. G. Shy, one small horse, John one roan horse, Baby, one cow and two
quitting, also, and down the property the said Benjamin G. Shy, and also
The entire crop of corn, hay, oats, wheat and potatoes and one four
horse wagon and gear which the said B. G. & E. G. Shy now
have and the farm of Lehigh N. Buppington and one half
of a threshing machine

together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging, or in any wise appertaining: To have and to hold the same, to the said party of the second part, *his* heirs and assigns, forever. And the said parties of the first part, for *themselves*, heirs, &c., hereby covenant and agree with said party of the second part, *his* heirs and assigns, that *they* will warrant and defend the title to said premises, unto said party of the second part, *his* heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. UPON TRUST NEVERTHELESS, that said party of the second part, *his* their heirs and assigns, shall permit said parties of the first part, *their* heirs, executors, &c., to remain in quiet and peaceable possession thereof, until default be made in the payment of said sum of \$ 275⁴⁸/₁₀₀, and then upon this further trust, that it shall and may be lawful for said party of the second part, or for either of them, to sell said property, hereby conveyed, to the highest bidder, for ready money, after having first fixed the time and place of sale at *his* own discretion, or at the discretion of such one of said party of the second part as shall act in the premises, and given at least *thirty* days notice thereof, by advertisement posted at *the Court house* of *Cabell County*, or printed in the *for thirty* days; and out of the proceeds of such sale shall (after defraying the costs thereof) pay off and discharge said debt, together with the interest which may be due, thereon, or such part thereof as may remain unpaid; but if the whole of said debt shall be fully paid off and discharged, so that there be no default therein, then this indenture to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue. In witness whereof said parties of the first and second parts have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above mentioned.



Benjamin G. Shy
George H. Shy

W. C. Cunningham
W. C.

Greensboro
Nov 28. 1859

My Dear Father,

We have all got
Colds, but able to h up.

I rec^d your letter.

I will start to Hounkport the
last of this week.

I understand it is the Judges'
intention to adjourn our Court
Thursday. I hope so well.

This is my birth day, and
brings the close of my thirty sixth
year. Time passes rapidly.
and we are hurried with it
to our common destiny.

I have no news of interest.
I have not time to write much
as Court will soon be in session.

Your aff son
W. C. Inland