Freedmans Labor Contract

This certifies that I A S Naftel have this day hired Franklin Perkins (Colored) to become as laborer on my farm or plantation (known as the waller field) for the term of twelve months I have agreed to pay said laborer (as wages) one half of the Cotton and one fourth of all the Corn ~~produce~~ raised gathered & house by him on said farm during said term after deducting from said wages or from said half & fourth (at its true value on the premises) all claims and demands held by me against said laborer for supplys provisions Clothings, goods wares Merchandise Medicines &c furnished him or his family or his laborers or ~~those~~ and all advances made to or for him during said term (wages of the laborer considered due at the expiration of said term)

Said laborer agrees upon his part to be governed by the following rules and regulations this the day of

Rules and Regulations for the hire and Conduct of the laborer Viz No. 1) The laborer binds himself to obey cherfully and willingly all orders of either employer or agent or any one appointed by them to look after or attend to their business in Case of absence and to render

good and faithful services at all times performing all plantation work &c &c

2) the laborer is not to be absent from his labor at any time without the consent either of employer or agent unless compelled by law

3) Said laborer binds himself to furnish all the labor necessary for the keeping up of said farm or plantation during said term ~~including~~ including fencing ditching &c &c and for the preparing planting cultivating and housing the entire crop well and in due time

4) The laborer is to bear the entire expences of himself and family and that of his laborers in full

5) The careless brakage or loss of tools loss of gear careless or wilfull destruction of property or abuse of stock will be charged for and deducted out of the wages of the laborer or dealt with according to law

6) The employer is not to be responsible to the laborer for any accident loss or damage that may happen to his portion of said crop from any cause whatever whilst in his possession either before or after any division has been made thereof previous to a settlement in full

In witness whereof I the said or above named labore have hereunto subscribed my name or mark in presence of the witnesses whose names are oposite my name this the first day of January 1869

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C. P. Moore

Franklin his Perkins
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