Know all men by these presents that we Fermien Trenier Henry V. Chamberlain & Diego M. Boy of the City and County of Mobile and State of Alabama are held and firmly bound unto Israel Pickens Governor of the said State and his successors in office in the sum of three thousand dollars to be paid to the said Israel Pickens and his successors in office for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves and each of us our and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally for and in the whole firmly by these presents, Sealed with our seals and dated the fifteenth day of February A.D. eighteen hundred and twenty five —

Whereas by an act of the General Assembly of the State of Alabama entitled an act to emancipate certain persons therein named approved second day of December A.D. 1824 — And whereas by the fifth section of said act a coloured woman named Claripa aged about forty six years and a coloured Girl named Patione and the Infant female child named Ceriack Slaves of Fermien Trenier of Mobile is emancipated and freed from slavery saving however the rights of creditors — Now therefore the condition of the above obligation is such that the said Claripa, Patione and Ceriak or either of them shall not become a public charge And that the above bounden Fermien Trenier shall educate and maintain the said Patione & Ceriak until they severally arrive at the age of eighteen years or until they severally marry whichever may first happen then and in such case the above obligation to be void or else to remain in full force virtue & effect —

Sealed & delivered in presence of — Hugh H. Rotston —

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