

This Indenture made this twentieth<sup>th</sup> day of August in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven  
and the 36.<sup>th</sup> year, of the independance of the United States  
of America between Joseph Cravens and Joseph Williams  
overseers of the poor, of the West district. in the county of  
Rockingham of the one part. and George Smally of said  
county of the other part. Witnesseth, that the said Joseph  
Cravens and Joseph Williams overseers of the poor as afores.  
by virtue of an order of the court <sup>of the</sup> aforesaid county bearing  
date the 16.<sup>th</sup> day of July last past., have put place & bound  
and by these presents do put place and bind Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee  
an orphan boy, of the age of eight years the 25 day of Oct. 1811  
to be an apprentice with him the said George Smally, and  
as an apprentice with him the said George Smally to dwell  
from the date of these presents untill the said Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee  
shall come to the age of 21 years according to the act of the  
General assembly in that care made and provided, By  
and during all which time and term the said Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee  
shall the said George Smally, his said master well and faithfully  
serve, in all such lawful business as the said Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee  
shall be put unto by his said master, according to the power  
wit. and ability of him the said Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee. and honestly  
and obediently in all things shall behave himself towards his  
said master and honestly and orderly towards the rest of the  
family of the said George Smally and the said George Smally for  
his part. for himself. his Executors and Administrators doth hereby  
promise and covenant to and with the said overseers of the poor  
and every of them, their and every of their executors & Administrat-  
-ors, and their and every of their Successors. for the time being, and  
to and with the said Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee, that he the said George Smally  
shall the said Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee. in the craft mystery and occupation of  
a shoemaker, which he the said George Smally now useth, after  
the best manner that he can or may teach, instruct and inform:  
or cause to be taught instructed ~~that~~ informed as much as there-  
-unto belongeth. or in anywise appertaineth: And that the said  
George Smally shall also find and allow unto the said apprentice  
sufficient meat, drink. apparel. washing lodging and all other  
things needful, or meet for an apprentice during the term  
aforesaid: And also that the said George Smally shall teach  
or cause to be taught to the said Jeremiah<sup>M.</sup> Kee reading



Writing and common arithmetick including the rule of  
Three: and will moreover pay to the said *Frederick M. Rice*  
the sum of *Fifteen Dollars* at the expiration of his aforesaid  
term; In Witness whereof the parties to these presents  
have interchanzably set their hands and seals the day  
and year first above written,

*Los. Cravens*

*Joseph Williams*

*George Hual*

alias

*George Smalce*

*John H. W.*  
*Secretary*  
to

*G. Smalce & Indent*