This indenture made this seventeenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and five between Thomas Hopkins overseer of the poor for the south district in the county of Rockingham of the one part and Samuel Miller of said county of the other part witnesseth that the said overseer of the poor in pursuance of an order of the court of said county bearing date at November court last doth put place and bind Ezekel Miller of said county a poor boy being fourteen years of age the twelth day of Aprile last unto the said Samuel Miller to dwell with and serve him until he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years

In consideration whereof the said Samuel Miller doth bind himself to the said Thomas Hopkins or his successor overseer of the poor to teach said boy or cause him to be taught the cooper trade perfectly within term above mentioned and to furnish said boy with cloaths meet drink and lodging convenient for him and to teach or cause him to be taught to read and wright and common arithmetic including the rule of three shall give unto said boy all such freedom dues as the law directs In witness whereof each of us have set our hands and seals the day and year above written