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## **Tennessee Assistant Commissioner, Records Relating to Freedmen's Labor, Indentures of Apprenticeship, Part 1**

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Barry, Winham & Co., Book and Job Printers, Nashville.      INDENTURE  
OF APPRENTICESHIP.

This Indenture, made the 6th day of February Eighteen Hundred and 66, between Riley Collin, of the age of 14 years on the 4th day of March last, of the County of Dickson State of Tennessee, of the one part, and M. E. Malone of the County of Dickson State of Tennessee of the other part, witnesseth that the said Riley Collin by and with the consent of the said A. P. Nicks Supt D Co his guardian signified by his signature affixed to this indenture, and by free will and consent of the said Riley Collin hath placed and bound himself apprentice to the said M.E. Malone to learn the trade or business of Household & Farming and with the said M.E. Malone to dwell, continue and serve from the date hereof until the said Riley Collin shall have attained the age of twenty-one years, which will be on the 4th day of March Eighteen Hundred and 78; during all of which time the said apprentice shall well and faithfully serve his said master, keep his secrets and obey his lawful commands. He shall do no damage to his master, nor willfully suffer it to be done by others, and if any to his knowledge is intended he shall give his master immediate notice thereof. He shall not play at cards, dice, or any unlawful game. He shall not contract matrimony during said term, nor absent himself from the service of his said master, nor haunt or frequent taverns, tippling houses, nor gaming houses; but in all things and at all times demean and conduct himself as a good and faithful apprentice towards his said master during the whole time aforesaid.

And the said M.E. Malone covenants and agrees with the said A.P. Nicks Supt B R F & A L that he will teach and instruct the said Riley Collin or cause him to be taught and instructed in the best and most complete way and manner that he can in the trade or business of Household & Farming with all things belonging thereto; and that he will find and allow to the said apprentice good and suitable meat, drink, washing, lodging, suitable apparel for working and holy days, and all other things fit, convenient and proper for an apprentice during the term aforesaid.

And will also teach to the said apprentice, or cause to be taught, within said term, to read and write and the ground rules of Arithmetic and the Rule of Three, and at the expiration of said terms will give unto the said Riley Collin two new suits of clothes suitable to his condition, and Twenty dollars in money.

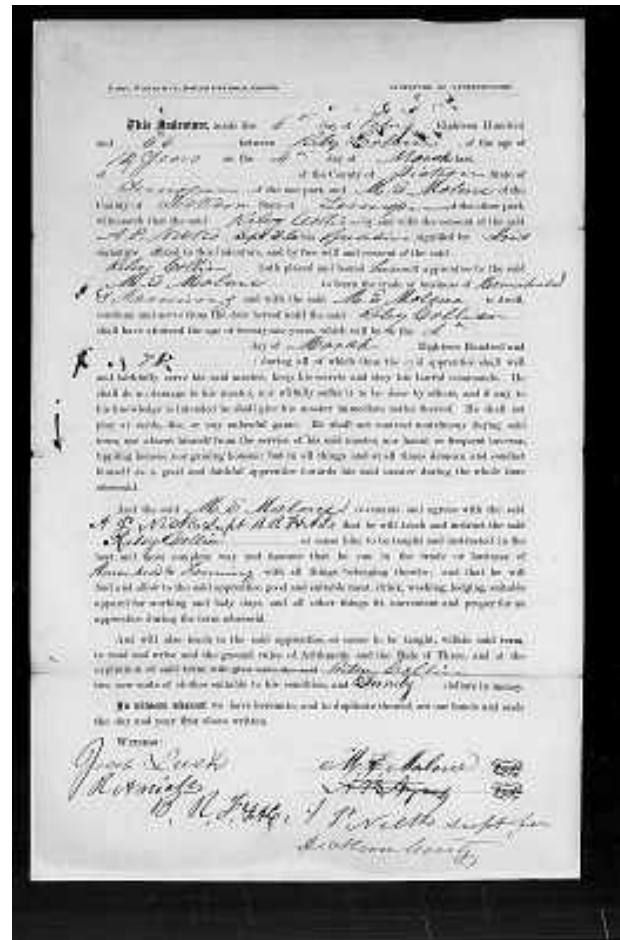
In witness whereof we have hereunto, and to duplicate thereof, set our hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Witness:  
Jacob Lecsh  
R A Nicks  
B.R.F. & A.L.

M. E. Malone {Seal.}

~~A.B. Aynez~~ {seal}

T. Nicks Supt for  
Dickman County



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