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this day personally appeared Queen J Davis
whose name appears to the within and forgoing
Deed or instrument of writing and who is well
known to me to be the person who signed the same
and acknowledged that he signed the same for
the uses purposes and consideration therein contained
and is perfect Given under my hand as clerk

And the Seal of the County Court
Now impressed at office in Tarrant
County Texas
On this the 29th day of Nov 1856
R. C. Matthews clerk
Court Room in Tarrant

W. J. Sorrell & wife Bill of Sale D. W. Cole

The State of Texas I know all men by these presents
County of Tarrant that we Mahala Sorrell wife of
W. J. Sorrell and W. J. Sorrell of the County of Tarrant
Texas for and in consideration of the sum of Seven
Hundred Dollars to us in hand paid by D. W. Cole
of the County of Hopkins said State the receipt
whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained sold
and conveyed and by these presents do bargain sell
and convey unto the said D. W. Cole all the right
Title claim & interest in the said Mahala & W. J. Sorrell
have in and to the following described property to wit
A Negro Woman named Maria aged about
thirty eight years to have and to hold said
Negro woman Maria to the said D. W. Cole his
heirs and assigns forever and in the said Mahala
and W. J. Sorrell for our selves our heirs and
representatives do hereby warrant and forever
defend the title to said Negro Slave Maria
from from us our heirs and representatives and
all persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to
claim the said Negro and we do further hereby
warrant the said Negro Slave Maria a Slave
for life and sound in Body and mind to the said
D. W. Cole his heirs and assigns in Testimony whereof
we have hereunto set our hands and seals using
Scraps for seals this the 17th day of November 1856
Witness
Mahala Sorrell
W. J. Sorrell

The State of Texas }
County of Tarrant } Before me appeared J. H. Bond
Notary Public for Tarrant County Texas this day
personally appeared W. J. Sorrell his wife