

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA } OFFICE REGISTER OF DEEDS.
 } *Swain* County } *April 10th* 188*6*

To any Ordained Minister of any Religious Denomination, or any Justice of the Peace of said County:

T. M. Bent having applied to me for a License for the Marriage
 of *Mary Leard* of *Swain Co. N. C.*
 age *24* years, color *white* the son of *George Leard*
 and *Louisa Leard* the father now *dead* the mother *living*
 resident of *Swain Co. N. C.* and *Lavinia Edith Fells*
 of *Swain Co. N. C.* age *23* years, color *white* daughter of
Gas. A. Fells and *Mary Anne Fells*
 the father *living* the mother *living* resident of *Swain Co. N. C.*

* And the written consent of _____ the _____
 of the said _____ to the proposed marriage having been filed with me.

And there being no legal impediment to such marriage known to me, you are hereby authorized, at any time within one year from the date hereof, to celebrate the proposed marriage at any place within the said County.


You are required within two months after you shall have celebrated such marriage to return this License to me, at my office, with your signature subscribed to the certificate under this License, and with blanks therein filled according to the facts, under penalty of forfeiting two hundred dollars to the use of any person who shall sue for the same.

W. S. Farnsworth
 Register of Deeds.

1 Name of person applying for license. 2 Name of man to be married in full. 3 Residence. 4 Age. 5 White or colored. 6 Father of man to be married.	7 Mother of man to be married. 8 Living or dead. 9 Living or dead. 10 Residence, if known, if not state unknown. 11 Name of woman to be married in full.	12 Residence. 13 Age. 14 White or colored. 15 Father's name. 16 Mother's name. 17 Living or dead.	18 Living or dead. 19 Residence, if known, if not state unknown. *If both parties are over 18 years of age strike out.
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_____ being duly sworn, says: That the parties applying for License are of lawful age, and as far as he is informed and believes there is no lawful cause or impediment forbidding said Marriage.

Witness: _____

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, }
 } *Swain* County. } 

I, *C. A. National* a Justice of the Peace united in matrimony *William Creed* &
 and *Louisa Edith Fells* the parties licensed above, on the *10* day of *April* 188*6* at *the home of Gas. Fells*
 in *Stewart's Creek* Township in said County according to law.

* Witnesses present at Marriage: *C. A. National*
Mariah Varner of *Swain Co.*
Thomas Scott of *Swain Co.*

1 Name of person officiating. 2 If minister, of what denomination; if Justice, of the Peace, or state. 3 Name of man married. 4 Name of woman married. 5 Place of Marriage. 6 Township. *At least three persons present at marriage must sign as witnesses.