Article of Agreement, made this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Jan 1867 between Dan C E Brady, of the first part, & Sam Williams (freedman) of the second part, witnesseth that the said Sam hereby agrees faithfully & diligently, to perform the duties of Forgeman, for the said Brady at Buffalo Forge, Rockbridge Co: Va, or such other place as he may direct, for the period of twelve months. In consideration of which services, said Brady, herewith agrees to pay the said Sam the sum of four dollars (missing) each ton of bar iron made by him. Said Sam to find/feed??? (missing) Said Sam also agrees to perform farm or other work (missing) needed, for which services said Brady agrees to pay him, sixty two & half cents per day. Said Sam also agrees to take charge of said Brady's smoke house, attend to issuing the rations, cutting up and curing meat ??: in consideration of which services, said Brady agrees to furnish said Sam, with House & fuel free of charge. Said Brady also agrees to allow said Sam to keep 3 hogs in a pen & to allow him, a lot to raise corn to feed his hogs. Said Sam also agrees that his wife Nancy, shall attend to the Poultry, rendering butter & lard, make candles & assist Mrs. Brady in the house when needed for which services said Brady agrees to pay said Sam, four dollars per month. And the said parties further agree that if it shall be mutually desirable to annul this contract before the expiration of the term agreed upon, it shall be done only in the presence & with the consent of such officers of the Freedmans Bureau, as may have immediate jurisdiction in the district where the said parties reside. Given at Buffalo Forge, Rockbridge County Virginia on the day and date (over)

above written.

Witnesses	Dan C E Brady	()
We certify that we heard		
the above contract read	his	
to Sam Williams & he agreed thereto	Sam X Williams	()
WM Rex	mark	
LHC Reynolds		