

Contract for Hire of Slaves

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Near Glasgow Mo.

Jany[.] 1, 1863

Twelve months after date I promise to pay Mrs. Mary Enyart [or?] order One Hundred and seventy five 00/100 Dollars, in consideration [*text stricken through*] for the hire of two negro slaves, Margaret and Daniel, from this date until Decr. 25, 1863.

I also agree to furnish said slaves the ordinary amount of winter and summer clothing & pay their doctor's bills, except attention in Margarets confinement.

Lost time from military violence or running away to be deducted from the hire.

Given under my hand and seal[.]

Wm. D. Swinney

by

Jas. O. Swinney