

MARRIAGE BOND
OF
EDGAR A. POE
AND
VIRGINIA E. CLEMM
16 MAY 1836

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we *Edgar A.*

Poe and Thomas W. Cleland

and acting as governor

are held and firmly bound unto *Wynham Robertson*, Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS, to the payment whereof, well and truly to be made to ^{*relieve*} said Governor, or his successors, for the use of the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves and each of us, our and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this *16th* day of *May* - 1836.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas a marriage is shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound *Edgar A. Poe* and *Virginia E. Clemm* of the City of Richmond. Now if there is no lawful cause to obstruct said marriage, then the above obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed, sealed and delivered }
in the presence of }

Chs. Howard

Edgar A. Poe

SEAL.

Thos. W. Cleland

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CITY OF RICHMOND, To wit:

This day *Thomas W. Cleland* above named, made oath before me, as *Deputy* Clerk of the Court of Hustings for the said City, that *Virginia E. Clemm* is of the full age of twenty-one years, and a resident of the said City. Given under my hand, this *16* day of *May* 1836

Chs. Howard

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M. S. Bond

1836

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