

James A Simpson } Cho State of Alabama Shelly County
 Do Or a trust } This deed of trust made and entered
 Joseph Roper } into this 15th of June A D 1848
 between James A Simpson the donor of the first part
 and Joseph Roper Esq Roper J. M. Mc Clanahan and
 D. M. Mc Clanahan the Executors of the Estate of John
 W. Roper dec'd of the 2^d part. Witnesseth that the said
 party of the 1st part is jointly indebted to the party of
 the second part as such Executors in the sum of Eleven
 hundred and fifty 99/100 dollars secured by 2 promissory
 notes having even date herewith the 1st and 25th Dec^r 1847 for the
 sum of five hundred and twenty five 50/100 dollars and
 the second one of the said notes for the sum of five
 hundred & twenty five dollars 50/100 dollars to be due
 25th December 1849 which said debt the said Simpson
 is anxious and desirous to secure therefore for and
 in consideration of the premises as well for an in con-
 sideration of the sum of five dollars to him in hand
 paid the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged has
 given granted conveyed and sold and by these presents
 does give grant convey and sell to the said party
 of the second part the following described property
 to wit a lot a negro man of yellow complexion
 about twenty one years of age a negro boy
 of dark complexion about twelve years of age
 also Epaminondas alias Polk a negro boy of dark
 complexion about five years of age and Gayle
 a boy about seven years old of dark complexion

do have and hold said negroes to the said party of the
2^d part forever upon trust howeth until default be made
in the payment of the debts aforesaid then upon such
default either in the first or 2^d rate the said party of the
2^d part or either of them or their survivor or successors heirs
or Representatives may seize said Negroes or any one or more
of them and the same sell in front of the Court house
Door in Columbia and first giving twenty days notice
by advertisement in at least three publick places of the
time and place of said sale and the same to be the
highest bidder for cash out of which said debts to
be fully paid with the interest thereon and the balance
if any pay over to said James & Simpson but should
said debts be fully paid or their becoming due then
obligation to be void the said property to remain with
said Simpson in said state until such default be
made witness our hands and seals

Filed for record June 15th 1848 } J. A. Simpson (seal)
E. S. Landy clerk } James Roper (seal)
Recorded July 13th AD 1848 } E. M. Roper (seal)
J. M. McLanahan (seal)
D. N. McLanahan (seal)

The State of Alabama
Shelby County } before me George Harris a
justice of the peace for said County and James & Simpson
J. Roper E. M. Roper J. M. McLanahan & D. N. McLanahan
have and lawfully acknowledged that they signed
sealed & delivered the within and foregoing deed of
trust on the day therein named for the purpose or
consideration therein expressed in testimony of which
Witness my hand and seal this 13^d June 1848

Filed & recorded, as you will see } George Harris seal
justice of the peace