

The State of Alabama } This mortgage with power to sell
 Shelby County } made and entered in to this 12th
 day of February 1857 by Willis A. Morgan of the one
 part & John T. McCombie of the other part witnesseth that
 the said Willis A. Morgan is justly indebted to Markham
 Easley in the sum of seventy two 5000 dollars evidenced
 by promissory note of even date with these instruments
 & due two months from date on which said note the
 said John T. McCombie is security for the said Willis
 A. Morgan and the said Morgan being anxious to
 secure the said McCombie as his security as aforesaid
 against all loss or harm by reason of his being such
 security now in consideration of the promises and
 the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the
 said McCombie the receipt of which is hereby acknow-
 ledged. The said Willis A. Morgan hereby gives
 grants bargains sells & conveys to the said McCombie
 a certain black horse mule to have & to hold forever
 subject however to the following conditions that is to say
 the said Morgan is to retain the possession of said
 mule until default be made by him in the pay-
 ment of said note or any part thereof when the
 same becomes due & in the event he pays the said
 note when the same falls due this conveyance in
 the nature of a mortgage is to be wholly void but if def-
 ault be made by the said Morgan in the pay-
 ment of said note or any part thereof the said Mc-
 combie is hereby fully authorized & empowered to
 seize & take said mule into his possession and after
 giving twenty days notice of time & place of sale
 sell the same to the highest bidder in the town of
 Columbiana for cash and out of the proceeds

of such sale if sufficient pay and satisfy the said
note as much as may be due thereon as well as all
reasonable expenses on this instrument & the proceeds
under it & the balance if any pay over to the said
Morgan Witness our hands & seals this 19th day of Febru-
-ary 1851

Test Wm H Pope

Willis A Morgan ^{mark} (Seal)
John T McCoskie (Seal)

The State of Alabama Personally appeared before me
Shelley County p 3 H V Nabors an acting Justice of
the Peace in & for said County the within Subscribed
Willis A Morgan & John T McCoskie who severally ack-
-nowledged that they signed sealed & delivered the with-
-in instrument on the day it bears date and for the
Consideration & purposes therein expressed This 19th
day of February A D 1851 H V Nabors J S J 30

Filed the 15th day of February 1851 and recorded 21st
of February 1851 J M McCallahan Judge of 30