Chesser
to Crop

The State of Alabama } This Indenture made &
Shelby County. } entered into this the tenth
day of November one thousand eight hundred &
fifty four between W. D. Chesser of the first part
& W. B. Crop of the second part both of the county
& state aforesaid: Witness that the said party of
the second part is security for the party of
first part in the sum of ninety or ninety
five dollars due & payable to William Leonard
by the twenty fifth of December next & the said
Chesser being willing & desirous to secure the
party of the second part by giving him a lien
on his crop of cotton, now on the premises
& of said Crop & a lot of corn supposed to be
about fifty bushels on the premises of said Chesser
now if the said Chesser should fail to pay
the above mentioned debt when it falls
due the said Crop is authorized to take in-
to his possession the above mentioned prop-
erty & sell it at public or private sale
as may seem best to him & if after
paying the above debt there should be a sur-
plus he is bound to pay over to the said par-
ty of the first part. Given under my hand
& seal the day & date above written.

Test W. H. Benson
L. W. Farrell

W. D. Chesser

The State of Alabama, } I. W. B. Crop an
Shelby County. } acting Justice of
the Peace for the county aforesaid hereby
certify that W. D. Cheser whose name is
signed to the foregoing conveyance & who
is known to me acknowledged before me
on this day that being informed of the con-
tents of the foregoing Conveyance he execu-
ted the same on the day the same bears
date. Given under my hand 10th day of
November 1854 W. B. Crop J. P.

Filed & recorded 13th day of Nov. 1854
J. M. McClanahan Judge of Probate.