Rhodes
To
Lewis

Whereas William C. Rhodes of Shelby County and state of Alabama is justly indebted to Singleton and Reed Executors of John Singleton decd in the sum of twenty sise and 80/100 dollars as doth more fully appear by a certain promissory note given by said Rhodes to said executors for that amount bearing date Decr 14th 1854 and due twelve months thereafter – and whereas T. E. Lewis has become equally bound with said Rhodes for the payment of said note by signing or affixing his signature thereunto – and the said Rhodes being desirous to make the said T. E. Lewis safe and secure in the event through any contingency he should have the same to pay – Now know all men by these presents that the said W. C. Rhodes has this day bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain and sell and deliver unto the aforesaid T. E. Lewis one sorrel horse flase mane and tail, and also two cows and calves bought by said Rhodes at the sale of the estate of John Singleton decd – To have and to hold said property in full and perfect right free from all claims whatsoever, upon trust nevertheless – that said Rhodes is to keep possession of said horse & cows and calves until he shall make default in the payment of said note either in part

or in whole — In which event the said T. E. Lewis is hereby authorized and empowered to take them immediately into his own possession and keeping and to sell them either at private or public sale as he may see fit: and after satisfying the demand of said note pay over the balance of the proceeds if any to said Rhodes. But should said note be paid by said Rhodes so that said T. E. Lewis shall not be put to any trouble or cost on account thereof, then this obligation to be null and void; but if otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law. In testimony whereof witness our hands and seals this the 18th day of January 1885 — W. C. Rhodes {seal
T. E. his Lewis {seal
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Witnesses } Solomon Moore
John Pyles

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J. M. McLanahan Judge of Probate