H. Bird
To
Wm M. Allen

The State of Alabama } Know all men by these
Shelby County } presence, that D. W. Caldwell
an Wm. M. Allen are my Securities on a note to Jefferson
Holly for one hundred dollars and fifty cents for the hire of
a negro woman got by me of said Holly for the year
1856 that I am willing to secure Indemnify said Caldwell
and Allen against loss by reason of said Securityship
in consideration thereof as well as of one dollar to me
in hand paid by William M Allen the receipt
of which is hereby acknowledged I Hilliard
have bargained and sold & do by these pre
sents bargain sell convey and confirm to said
Allen a gold watch now in my possession
No 8 as labelled Liverpool also all the crop
of wheat corn and cotton that I may raise on
my farm the present year to have and to
hold the said gold watch wheat corn and
cotton that I may raise & make the present
year on my farm unto said Allen his executors
administrators or assigns forever in trust however
& this conveyance is upon this condition that
I to retain possession of the said gold watch

and besides the wheat sowed on to plant such crop of corn & cotton one or both as I think proper and cultivate the same and at maturity thereof gather and house the same and retain possession thereof untill the maturity of said note when if said note is paid off and discharged or said Caldwell and Allen in any other way released therefrom then this conveyance to be void but if not paid or they released therefrom then the said Wm. M. Allen may sell said gold watch & wheat corn & cotton that may be made gathered and housed and on ten days notice thereof may proceed to sell the same or such part thereof as he may deem necessary to satisfy said note as whatever sum may due thereon for cash and out of proceeds pay off said note as whatever sum due and unpaid thereon as witness my hand and seal this 30th day of January

H. Bird (seal)

The State of Alabama } I Richard H. Brasher
Shelby County } a Justice of the peace in and for said county certify that Hilliard Bird whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date Given under my hand this 30th day of January 1856

R. H. Brasher Justice Peace

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J. M. McClanahan
Judge of Probate