Shortridge G. D.

to

Ala. Coal Co.

This Indenture made and entered into this 6th day of May, A. D. 1856, between George D. Shortridge and Elizabeth Shortridge his wife, of the county of Shelby and State of Alabama of the first part, and the Alabama Coal Mining Company of the second part, witnesseth that the said George D. Shortridge and Elizabeth Shortridge his wife, parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Three Thousand Dollars in stock of said Company to them transferred by said Company, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained, ~~and~~ sold, aliened, enfeoffed and conveyed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff and convey to the said Alabama Coal Mining Company the following described tracts or parcels of land lying and being in the county of Shelby in said State, and known and described as the North West quarter and the West half of the North-East quarter of Section Eighteen (18) and the South-West quarter of the South-East quarter and the South-East quarter of the South-West quarter of Section Seven (7) all in Township twenty-two (22) Range three (3) West, containing Three Hundred and Twenty (320) acres, more or less;— to have and to hold to the said Alabama Coal Mining Company and their successors forever; together with all the rights, tenements hereditaments or appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining. And the said George D. Shortridge and Elizabeth his wife will forever warrant and defend the title to said lands free from the claims of the General Government of the United States and from the claim of any other person.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of James T. Leeper, Geo. D. Shortridge Jr.

Geo. D. Shortridge (Seal)
Elizabeth Shortridge (Seal)

The State of Alabama, } I, D. W. Prentice, an acting Justice
Shelby County. } of the Peace in and for said county, hereby certify that Mrs. Elizabeth Shortridge, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is well known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand this 7th day of May, 1856.

Daniel W. Prentice,
Justice of the Peace.

The State of Alabama, } I, Jno. M. Strong, a Justice of the
~~Sh~~ Dallas county. } Peace in and for said county, hereby certify that Jas. T. Leeper, a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance, known to me, appeared before me this and being sworn stated that George D. Shortridge one of the grantors in the conveyance, voluntarily executed the same in his presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witness on the day the same bears date, that he attested the same in the presence of the grantor and of the other witness, and that such other witness subscribed his name as a witness in his presence. Given under my hand this 9th day of May, A. D. 1856.

Jno. M. Strong, J. P.

The State of Alabama, } I, Thomas G. Ranier, Judge of the Probate
Dallas County. } Court of said county, hereby certify that John M. Strong, whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing certificate, is now and was at the time of signing the same, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for Dallas county, Ala., duly elected, commissioned and qualified as such, and that all his official acts as such are of right entitled to full faith and credit. Given under my hand and seal of office at office in Cahaba this the 9th day of May, A. D. 1856.

Thomas G. Ranier,
(L S) Judge of Probate.

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Judge of Probate.