

Ala. Coal
mining Com
D. E. Watrous
vs J. S. Storry

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A. A. Sterrett
admr of
Shredler Dec

This Indenture made and entered into this 20th day of October 1857 between the Alabama Coal mining Company Daniel E. Watrous and John S. Storry of the first part and A. A. Sterrett as the administrator of the estate of Frances Shredler of the second part Witnesseth, That whereas the said parties of the first part are justly indebted to the party of the second as said administrator in the sum of two thousand six hundred and twenty four 80/100 dollars evidenced by a judgement rendered in his favor against the said parties of the first part in the Circuit Court for the County of Shelby in the state of Alabama on the 18th day of September 1857 for the said sum of two thousand six hundred and twenty four 80/100 dollars besides costs of suit, and the said parties of the first part for the purpose of better securing the payment of said judgement and in consideration of the fact that the said party of the second part has and hereby agrees to pay said judgement and an execution thereon until the first day of January next and the further consideration of one dollar to them in hand paid by the said A. A. Sterrett as administrator the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged we the said parties of the first part do hereby bargain sell and convey unto the said A. A. Sterrett as said administrator the following described negro slaves to wit a negro man named John of black color aged about thirty five years and a negro man named Columbus of black color and aged about twenty years the title to which we will forever warrant and defend. This conveyance is made however in trust and upon the following condition to wit that if on the first day of January next said judgement or any part thereof shall remain unpaid then the said party of the second part may and is hereby fully authorized and empowered to take possession of said slaves and after giving notice thereof for twenty days

either through a newspaper or by posting up a written sell the same at public outcry before the courthouse door in the town of Columbiana to the highest bidder for cash and apply the proceeds first to the payment of the cost and expense of this conveyance and the remainder to the satisfaction of said judgment and the said parties of the first part bind themselves to deliver said slaves to the said party of the second part on demand and he is hereby fully empowered to convey the title of said negroes to the purchaser or purchasers at such sale. But if the said parties of the first part shall well and truly pay and satisfy the said judgment with the cost thereof and of this conveyance on or before the first day of January next then this conveyance to be void else to remain in full force. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals on the day and year above written

Signed Sealed and
Delivered in the
presence of

D. E. Watrous (seal)
President of the Ala.
Coal Mining Com-
pany
D. E. Watrous (seal)
John S. Storrs (seal)

The State of Alabama,
County } J. D. W. Prentice an
acting justice of the Peace in and for
hereby Certify that the above named D. E.
Watrous and J. S. Storrs known to me
to be the same persons who executed
the foregoing conveyance came before
me on this day and acknowledged that
knowing the contents of said conveyance
they severally executed the same volunta-
rily on the day the same bears date. Given
under my hand this the 20th day of October
1857

J. D. W. Prentice
J. P.

Filed 7 Nov 1857
J. H. McLaughan
Judge