

Britton
To
Cross

The State of Alabama } This indenture made and entered into this the 21st day of December one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight between A. H. Cross of the first part and B. H. Britton of the second part both of the County and State aforesaid Witnesseth that the said Cross hath this day sold unto the said Britton a certain black mule about five years old for the sum of one hundred and twenty seven 50/100 dollars due the first day of January 1860 for which he has executed his note to said Cross for the same and said Britton does give to the said Cross a mortgage on said mule and all of his entire crop of Corn and Cotton that he may make during the year 1859 said Britton binds himself to cultivate said crop well and gather it in good time and in good order and deliver the Cotton at some gin in the neighborhood it shall then be lawful for the said Cross to take charge of said crop and dispose of it in the best manner he may think and if the crop should not pay said sum (\$127 50) and it should become necessary to sell the mule it shall also be lawful for said Cross to sell the same and pay off said debt and should there remain in the hands of Cross over and above what will pay said debt and the costs of this mortgage he shall pay it over to said Britton in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal day and year first above written

B. H. Britton

The State of Alabama J. & Lee an acting Justice
 Shelby County } of the Peace in and for said
 County and State hereby certify that B. H. Britton
 whose name is assigned to the foregoing Mortgage
 who is known to me acknowledged before me
 on this day after being informed of the con-
 tents of the Mortgage he executed the same
 voluntarily on the day the same bears date
 given under my hand this the 21st day of
 December A.D. 1858

J. & Lee J. & B.

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Mo. McClanahan
 Judge of Probate