The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } This Indenture made and entered into on this the 31st day of October A.D. 1859 by and between George D Shortridge Sr of said County and State of the first part and Daniel N Prentice of said County and State and Edmund Watts of Dallas County Alabama of the second part. witnesseth That for and in Consideration of the sum of five dollars to the party of the first part in hand paid by the party of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the party of the first part hath bargained sold and conveyed unto the party of the second part their heirs and assigns all the right title and interest owned by the party of the first part in a Coal Company Chartered by an Act of the Legislature approved February 8th 1858 under the name and style of the "Shelby Coal Company" and Organized under said act by the election of Edmond Watts President and William S. Barr Secretary consisting of one fourth of the Capital Stock of said Company less one Sixth of said interest heretofore disposed of, to one John M Moore. Also all the right title and interest owned by the said Shortridge in a Company Chartered by an act of the Legislature January 24. 1857 by the Corporate name of the "Alabama Roofing Slate Company" Consisting of one fifth of the Capital Stock of said Company hereby intending to convey my interest in said Company to have and to hold unto the said party of the second part their heirs, executors administrators and assigns forever together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining.
This Conveyance is intended as a Mortgage to secure the said Prentice first on the payment of an account due from the said Shortridge to the said Prentice on the 27th day of

June 1859. for the sum of twelve hundred and ten and 97/100 dollars. Also to secure the said Prentice as the security of the said Shortridge upon a note executed to Joseph R Johnson as trustee of certain creditors of the said Shortridge for the sum of twenty one hundred and twenty three dollars dated the 27th day of June 1859 and due 27th day of June 1860. Also as security upon a note executed to one John B. Clark due 1st day of December 1859. or the 1st of January 1860 for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars also as security upon a note executed to C Cunningham as executor and Lucretia Cunningham as executrix of the last will and testament of Joseph H. Cunningham decd. for the sum of two hundred and thirty one and 82/100 dollars. dated December 15th 1858. and due December 15th 1859 and afterwards also to secure the said Watts in the payment of an account for about two hundred and fifty dollars. due for moneys advanced by said Watts for the purchase of the lands belonging to said "Shelby Coal Company". Now if the said Shortridge shall pay off and discharge said accounts and said notes principle and interest by the 28th day of June 1860 then these presents shall become void. but if default shall be made by said Shortridge in the payment of said accounts and said notes or either of them or any part of them, or either of them. and the same shall remain unpaid on the 28th day of June 1860. then the party of the second part is by these presents authorized and empowered to sell the property herein conveyed at public outcry in the Town of Montevallo in said County and State after giving twenty days notice of the time and place of said sale by written advertisement posted up at two or more public places in said County and apply the proceeds of said sale to the payment of said accounts and said notes and all the costs and charges of this conveyance. In witness whereof the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and date above written

Geo. D. Shortridge (Seal)

Sealed & delivered
in presence of

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Shelby County } I J P Morgan an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State hereby certify that George D. Shortridge Sr 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 the 1st day of November A.D. 1859

J. P. Morgan
Justice of the Peace

Filed for Record 13th day of Feby. and recorded 14th day of Same month J. M. McClenahan J. of Probate