

The State of Alabama } This indenture made
 Shelby County } and entered into this
 the 31st day of March 1860 between John Morris
 debtor of the 1st part and U. M. Carden
 Creditor of the second part witness
 that whereas the said party of the 1st part
 is justly indebted to John M. McLanahan
 in the sum of Sixty two ⁵⁸/₁₀₀ dollars due
 by promissory note dated the day to be due
 25 Dec. 1860 on which said Carden is
 security now in order to hold said Carden
 harmless and the said party of the 1st
 part being desirous to secure the payment
 of said indebtedness for and in consideration
 thereof and the further consideration of
 the sum of one dollar to the said party of
 the 1st part in hand paid by the said party
 of the 2nd part the receipt whereof is hereby
 acknowledged the said party of the 1st part
 has sold and hereby sells and conveys to
 the said party of the 2nd part the following
 described property to wit one Parcel. Fittley

with blaze face then and now in my possession and all the crop of Cotton to be planted and grown by me the present year. to have and to hold in trust as follows it is hereby agreed that the said party of the 1st part or to ~~Said J. M. McLanahan~~ is to have and retain possession of the said property until the 25 day of December 1860 and if the said party of the 1st part shall fully pay to the said party of the 2nd part or to J. M. McLanahan said debt with interest thereon and the reasonable expense hereof by said 25 day of December 1860 then this indenture to be null and void but upon default of such payment the said party of the 2nd part is hereby authorized to take into possession and sell said property to the highest bidder for cash after giving twenty days notice of the time and place of said sale by advertisement posted up at three public places and out of the proceeds of said sale retain the said sum and interest thereon and the reasonable cost hereof and the balance if any pay to the said party of the 1st part given under our hand and seal this day and year above written

John ^{his} Morris (Seal)
mark

Charles M. Gardin (Seal)

The State of Alabama
Shelby County J. M. McLanahan
Judge of Probate for said County hereby
Certify that John Morris & C. M. Gardin
whose names are signed to the foregoing convey-
ance and who are known to me acknowledge
before me on this day that being informed
of the contents of the conveyance they executed
the same voluntarily on the day the same
bears date given under my hand this the 3-
day of March. A. D. 1860

J. M. McLanahan
Judge of Probate

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