The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } This Indenture made and entered into this 21st day of March 1860 between John Walls debtor of the first part, and Rufus Porter creditor of the second part, witnesseth: That whereas the said party of the first part is justly indebted to the party of the second part in the sum of Twenty five Dollars due by a promissory note bearing Interest from the 27th day of Feby last and bearing even date with due and payable on or before the 25th day of December 1860 and the said party of the first part being desirous to secure the payment of said indebtedness; for and in Consideration thereof, and for the further Consideration of the Sum of One dollar to the said party of the first part in hand paid by the said party of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby Acknowledged, the said party of the first part has sold, and hereby sells and conveys, to the said party of the second, the following described property to wit One Brown mare mule the same that the said party of the first part has now in possession also his present Crop of Corn & cotton that he may raise or cause to be raised this year. Except enough thereof for a support until default be made in the payment of the aforesaid note to have and to hold in trust as follows. It is hereby

agreed that the party of the first part is to have and retain possession of the said property until the 25th day of December 1860 and if the said party of the first part shall fully pay to the said party of the second part said debt with interest thereon and the reasonable expenses 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 second part is hereby authorized to take into possession and sell said property to the highest bidder, for Cash. after giving ten days notice of the time and place of said sale by advertisement posted up at three public places and out of the proceeds of such sale retain the said sum of Twenty five Dollars and interest thereon and the reasonable Costs hereof, and the balance, if any, pay to the said party of the first part. Given under our hands and seals this day and year above written

Attest
D N McCleanahan

John Walls [L.S.]
Rufell Porter [L.S.]
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The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } I N B Mardis an acting Justice of the Peace for said County hereby Certify that John Walls and Rufell Porter whose names are signed to the foregoing Conveyance and who are known to me acknowledged 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 2nd day of April AD 1860

N. B. Mardis
Justice of the Peace

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J M McCleanahan
Judge of Probate