The State of Alabama } This Indenture made
Shelby County } And entered into this
18 day of April 1862 betw=
een Lewis J. Sykes of the 1st part and Jas. Roper
& J. M. McClanahan Creditors of the 2nd part.
Witnesseth, That whereas the said party of the
1st part is justly indebted to the said party of the
2nd part in the sum of one hundred & sixteen
36/100. dollars due by three promissory notes one
to said Roper for $64.61 dated 24. Feby 1862. due
1 March 1862, & one to same for $37.85. dated this
day & due 1 May next. & one to said McClanahan
for $14.20. dated this day & due one day after date.
And the said party of the 1st 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 dol=
lar to the said party of the 1st part in hand paid
by the said party of the 2nd part the receipt,

Deed of Trust closed by Sam. The Property is
Filed for Record the 28th day of March 1863 and the Lien
thereof released by Mortgagee & Sarah E. Sykes
Witness by Sam. Sykes

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, the SE¼ of SE¼ Section 8, Township 21. Range 2. West & the SW¼ of SW¼. of Section 9 in Township 21. Range 1 West. to have and to hold in trust as follows. It is hereby agreed that the said party of the 1st part is to have and retain possession of the said property until the 1 day of January 1863. And if the said party of the 1st part shall fully pay to the said party of the 2nd part said debt with interest thereon and the reasonable expenses hereof by said 1 day of January 1863 then this indenture is to be null & void. But upon default of such payment the said party of the 2nd part is authorized to take into possession and sell said property to the highest bidder for cash after giving twenty days notice of the time & place of said sale by advertisement posted up at three public places and out of the proceeds of said sale retain the said sum of $116.36, 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 hands & seals this day and year above written.

L. J. Sykes. (L.S.)
Joseph Roper (L.S.)

The State of Alabama,
Shelby County } I H. McElliott Circuit Clerk for said County hereby certify that Lewis J. Sikes & Jos. Roper 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 18 day of April A.D. 1862.
H. McElliott Ct. Clk.

Filed & Recorded 18 day of April 1862.
J. M. McClanahan Judge of Pb.