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The State of Alabama } This indenture made and entered
Shelby County } into this 25th day of January 1870 between
Charles Powell (Freedman) debtor of the first part
& H. J. Lynch of the second part all of the County of
Shelby & State of Alabama: Whereas the said Charles
Powell is justly indebted to the said H. J. Lynch in
the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars due
by a promissory note bearing Even date with these
presents and due on the 1st day of January A.D. 1871. Now
this indenture Witnesseth that the said Charles Powell
Freedman & Wm Nelson as Security as well for and
in Consideration of the aforesaid debt & for the better
securing the payment thereof unto the said H. J.
Lynch his heirs Executors & administrators and
assigns in the discharge of the said note as of the
further sum of One Dollar to him in hand
paid by the said H. J. Lynch at and before the
sealing & delivering hereof the receipt whereof is
hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained sold
released & conveyed & by these presents doth grant
bargain sell and convey unto the said H. J. Lynch
his heirs and assigns the following property (viz)
My growing Crop or the Crops that I bind my self to
plant during the year 1870 on the plantation or
farm that I have rented this year from Estate
of Ed. Davis & the above sum being for a Gray
horse ~~sold to me by the said H. J.~~ Lynch furnished
to enable me to make a crop this year without such
assistance I would not be able to make a crop) Also
one Gray horse this day purchased from the said
H. J. Lynch Also Two Log sleys & Cow & yoke of Steers,
I bind myself to plant & Cultivate Ten acres in Cotton

& fifteen acres in Corn and to gather the same in good order & in & during the season for gathering the same To have and to hold the said Growing Crop & other property hereby granted or mentioned with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to the said H. J. Lynch his heirs & assigns to their only proper use & behoof forever, Provided the said Charles Powell his heirs Executors or administrators shall & do well & truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said H. J. Lynch his heirs Executors & administrators or assigns the aforesaid note with interest by the said Charles Powell or Wm McClain does not pay the above notes & int & all Expenses that may be on it. The said H. J. Lynch may proceed to sell to the highest bidder on the farm where the Crop is grown after giving Ten days notice by posting up a written notice in the Town of Montevallo at the Post Office and appropriate the proceeds of said sale to the payment of the above mentioned notes & int & the Expense of & the balance if any pay over to the said Charles Powell any balance that there may be.—

In witness whereof We have hereunto set our hands & affixed our seals the day & date above written

Attest

French Mabon (Revenue Stamp fifty cents) Charles his X mark Powell (Seal)

Thos Lynch H. J. his X mark Lynch (Seal)

The State of Alabama } I James T. Leper Judge of
Shelby County } Probate for said County hereby

Certify that French Mabon a subscribing witness to the foregoing Conveyance Known to me appeared before me this day & being Sworn States that Charles Powell the Grantor in the Conveyance Voluntarily executed the same in his presence & in the presence of the other subscribing witness on the day the same bears date; that he attested the same in the presence of the grantor and of the other witness & that Sueb other witness subscribed his name as a witness in his presence—

Given under my hand this 14th day of February A.D. 1876

J. T. Leper Judge of Probate

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J. T. Leper Judge of Probate