Doke Tom
To
Ben Nelson

The State of Alabama } This indenture made and en
Shelby County } tered into this 12th day of March
1873 between Tom Doke debtor
of the 1st part and Ben Nelson Creditor of the second
part Witnesseth. That Whereas ~~for and~~ the said party of the
1st part is justly indebted to the said party of the 2d
part in the sum of Eighty Two 65/100 dollars due by
note for horse to Duran & Nelson, and payable on or
before the 1st day of Nov 1873; and the said party
of the 1st part being desirous to secure the payment
of said indebtedness the said indebtedness the said
party of the 1st part for and in consideration there
of, and for 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 2d part 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 2d part, the following described property to wit;
All the Crop, Corn and Cotton to be Raised by me
in the year 1873 also one gray horse about Ten years
old, horse known as the Leeper Pony.
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 proper
ty until the 1st day of Nov 1873, and if the said
party of the 1st part shall fully pay said debt to the
said party of the 2d part with interest thereon and
reasonable Expenses hereof by said 1st day of Nov
1873 then this indenture is to be null and void
But upon default of such payment the said
party of the 2d 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 publication in a
newspaper, if one is published in the County, or by
posting at three public places, and out of the proceeds
of said sale retain the sum of Eighty Two 65/100 Dollars
and interest thereon, and the reasonable Costs
hereof and the balance if any pay to the said par
ty of the 1st part.

Signed sealed & delivered this day of in presence of J. H. Duran, H. S. Nelson

his
Tom X Doke (Seal)
mark

The State of Alabama } I James T. Leper Judge of Probate
Shelby County } for said County hereby certify that
J. H. Duran a subscribing witness
to the foregoing Conveyance, Known to me, appeared
before me on this day, and being sworn stated that
Tom Dooke the Grantor in the Conveyance, voluntarily
executed the same in his presence ~~and the day~~
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 and that such other witness subscribed his name as a Witness in his presence,

Given under my hand this 1st day of April 1873 –

J. T. Leeper
Judge of Probate

Filed and Recorded April 1st 1873 and Recorded April 29th 1873.

James T. Leeper
Judge of Probate,