Samuel Henry
To
A. C. Samuel

The State of Alabama
Shelby County

Whereas Henry Samuel a colored man, has bought of Adaline C. Samuel a certain sorrel mule for the sum one hundred and Twenty Five dollars ($125⁻⁰⁰) and for the payment of which he has executed and given unto her, his promissory note, bearing even date herewith, payable to A. C. Samuel or bearer, and due on the first day of December next and which said note, the said Henry Samuel is desirous to secure unto the said A. C. Samuel, Now Know all men by these presents that in Consideration of the premises, as well for, and in Consideration of the sum of one Dollar to me in hand paid by her the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged. I the said Henry Samuel have bargained and sold, and by these presents do bargain, sell + deliver unto her, the aforesaid Adaline C. Samuel, the above mentioned mule: and also all the Crop of Cotton, Corn and fodder which I may gather + raise, or cause to be raised and gathered during this present year of 1873

to have and to hold from me, my heirs, and from the lawful claim of all other persons wholsoever:
But to hold the same from me upon trust, nevertheless, and upon the following Conditions,
That I am to keep said Mule and retain him in my possession to work and to use him as my own, but to continue him upon the farm, and about the premises of the said A. C. Samuels, until said mentioned note becomes due, and default shall be made in the payment thereof, either in whole or in part. Then in which event, the afore said A. C. Samuels is hereby legally authorized and empowered, to take said Mule and all of said mentioned Crop into her own possession, and sell the Cotton and Corn & fodder at private sale for cash at wholesale price & fill them being, or so much thereof, as may be necessary to satisfy said note then to sell said mule at Harpersville at public sale for cash to the highest bidder after having given ten days notice by written advertisements posted up at that place, and with the proceeds of said sale pay the balance of said note, and the rest that remains of said sale to pay over to me the said Henry Samuels or to my order,
But if said note be punctually paid when due, or so soon thereafter as payment may be demanded then this obligation shall be null and void, But otherwise to continue in full force & virtue in law,
In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal this the 18th day of January A.D. 1873.

his
Henry X Samuels (Seal)
mark

The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } I T. J. Martin an acting Justice of the Peace in & for said County do Certify that Henry Samuels Col whose name is signed to the foregoing Conveyance acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the Contents of the Conveyance he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date,
Given under my hands this the 5th day of Feb 1873

T. J. Martin
J. P. for S. C,

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James T. Leper
Judge of Probate,