Johnston R. H. To S. B. Roper

The State of Alabama } This indenture made
Shelby County } and entered into this
22d day of July 1873, between R. H. Johnston debtor of the first part and S. B. Roper creditor of the 2d part witnesseth: That whereas the said party of the 1st part is justly indebted to the said party of the 2d part in the sum of Thirty five Dollars, due by promissory note of this date, and payable on or before the first day of November 1873: 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 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: One Yoke of Small Steers or Work Oxen, about four years old, this day sold by said Roper to said Johnston, also thirty five bushels of Corn of said Johnstons present years crop now growing to be by said Johnston when matured gathered and housed, 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 1st day November 1873: and if the said party of the first part shall fully pay said debt to the said party of the 2d part with interest thereon, and the reasonable expenses hereof by said 1st day of November 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 posting written notices at three public places, and out of the proceeds of said sale retain the sum of Thirty five Dollars and interest thereon, and the reasonable costs hereof, and the balance if any pay to the said party of the first part.

Signed sealed & delivered
this 22d day of July 1873
in presence of,

R. H. Johnston (Seal)
S. B. Roper (Seal)

The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } I A. W. Elliott a Notary Public & Ex Officio Justice of

the Peace for said County, hereby certify that R. H. Johnston & S. B. 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.

Witness my hand this 22d of July 1873.

A. M. Elliott N. P. &
Ex Off J. P.

Filed for Record July 28th 1873 and Recorded Aug 12th 1873,

J. T. Leeper
Judge of Probate,