Adams J. M.
To
J. M. Blackaby

The State of Alabama Shelby County.

This indenture made and entered into this 31. day of December 1875. between J. M. Adams debtor of the first part and J. M. Blackaby Creditor of the 2d part Witnesseth That whereas the said party of the first part is justly indebted to the party of the 2d part in the sum of Six Hundred lbs lint Cotton due by note and payable on or before the 25. day of December 1876. 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 600 lbs Bale lint Cotton and one white mule

This mortgage is satisfied and discharged Sept 25 1876
J. M. Blackaby
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about 12 years old. 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 25th day of December 1876 and if the said party of the 1st part shall fully pay to the said party of the 2d part. Said debt and reasonable expenses hereof by said 25th day of December 1876 then this indenture is to be null and void. But upon default of such payment the said party of the second part is hereby authorized to take into possession and sell said property to the highest bidder for Cash after giving 10 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 Six Hundred lbs lint Cotton or the worth of it at that time Dollars and the reasonable Costs hereof and the balance if any pay to the said party of the first part. J. M. Adams (Seal)

The State of Alabama } I R. G. Weldon Justice of the Peace
Shelby County } for said County hereby Certify that J. M. Adams 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 31 day of December 1875. R. G. Weldon J. P.

Filed for Record Jany 12th 1876. & Recorded February 10th 1876.
J. T. Lyon Judge of Probate