Rice John
To
Ehrmann & Stroell
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State of Alabama }
Shelby County } Know all Men, that the undersigned have this day executed a note to Ehrmann & Stroell for the sum forty dollars, due the 1st day of November 1876, bearing even date with this Deed, which was given for advances in necessary provisions, horses, mules, farming implements, and in money to purchase the same, obtained by me from said Ehrmann & Stroell bona fide, for the purpose of making a crop, and that without such advances it would not be in my power to procure the necessary Teams, provisions and farming utensils to make a crop. And I also, hereby declare that said advances, or the amount thereof, shall be a lien on my crops grown the present year, in said county, to make which they were procured, and on the stock furnished, or which I may buy with the money so advanced in accordance with the Statute of the Revised Code of the State of Alabama. Now to further secure the punctual payment of the above described note, with all further advances that may, from time to time, be made to me, and to secure the payment of commissions of 2½ per cent. on the proceeds of bales of 500 pounds lint cotton, each for . And also for the further consideration of one dollar to me in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I have bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents do bargain, sell and convey unto the said Ehrmann & Stroell all my crop of corn & cotton, to be grown this year, in said County. Also forty acres of land lying in Shelby County, forty acres of land lying in Chilton County state aforesaid, also one grey horse about eleven years old. To have and to hold the same to the said Ehrmann and Stroell their heirs and assigns, forever. The Conditions of the above Obligation are: That I am to deliver all the cotton crop to be grown the present year, to Ehrmann & Stroell in Montevallo as fast as the same can be prepared for market, to be sold by them, and the proceeds applied to the payment of this mortgage; and if the

said note, and all other liabilities, which may have accrued on the same, are paid by the 1st day of November, 1876, then this Deed is to be null and void. But if the above note and all other liabilities accruing thereon are not paid by the said 1st day of November 1876, then, in that event, the said Ehrmann & Scholl, Agent or Attorney, shall hereby be fully authorized and empowered to take any of the above described property, or any other effects of Jno. Rice wherever found, into possession, and sell the same, whether in possession or not, at a private or public sale, for cash, and pay off said note and all other liabilities, together with all costs that may in any way, accrue in selling said property and foreclosing this mortgage I hereby affirm that there is no other lien or mortgage on said property, and that I will interpose no influence to its delivery and sale. Given under our hands and seals this 26 day of February 1876.

Witness } John Rice (Seal)

The State of Alabama } I, R. D. Harris justice
Shelby County } of the Peace, Hereby certify, that John Rice whose name is signed to foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, 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 hand this 26 day of Feby 1876 A.D.

R. D. Harris J.P.

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Jas. T. Leeper, Judge of Probate