Dook Tom
To
A. A. Sluitt

The State of Alabama - Shelby County,

This Indenture, made and entered into this 17th day of April 1876, between Tom Dook debtor, of the first part, and A. A. Sluitt, 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 forty four 72/100 dollars, due by account for money advanced now due, and payable on or before the first day of November 1876; and the said party of the first 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 first 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 gray horse now in his said Dooks possession, one three year old red heifer calf & one bull calf, a little over 2 years

old, and my crop of corn and cotton that I have or may plant cultivate or gather the present year - besides the rent that may be due ~~the~~ estate of Judge McClanahan 1/3 of grain & 1/4 of cotton that I may raise or gather on the lands of said McClanahans estate to secure which my said crop is also hereby bound to have and to hold, in trust, as follows: It is hereby agreed that the said party of the first part is to have and retain possession of the said property until the 1st day of November 1876, and if the said party of the 1st part shall fully pay to the said party of the 2d part said debt and interest thereon, and reasonable expenses incurred by said 1st day of November 1876, 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 notices put up in said county by posting at three public places, and out of the proceeds of said sale retain the sum of forty four 72/100 dollars and interest thereon and the reasonable costs hereof, and the balance if any, pay to the said party of the first part, together with the rent that may be due to be also paid said Merritt. Signed, sealed and delivered this 17th day of April 1876, in presence of J. T. Lepre

Tom his mark Doak (Seal)

The State of Alabama
Shelby County } I, J. T. Lepre, Judge of Probate for said County, hereby certify that Sam Doak (colored) whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance and who is 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 17th day of April 1876.

J. T. Lepre, Judge of Probate

Filed for Record April 17th 1876 & Recorded the same day.

J. T. Lepre
Judge of Probate