Smith W. T.
To.
C. J. Nicolson

State of Ala } Know all men by these presents that I W. T.
Shelby County } Smith for and in Consideration that I am in=
debted to C. J. Nicolson in the sum of Four hundred & fifty dol=
lars which is evidenced by my promissory note bearing
even date with this instrument and payable to C. J.
Nicolson on the 25 day of Decr AD 1877 for the sum of
Four hundred & fifty dollars and for the purpose of se=
curing the payment of the same do grant bargain sell
and convey to said C. J. Nicolson the following described
real estate Towit The N.E. 1/4 of Section 18 and the Fractional
N.W. 1/4 of Section 17 all in Township 21 Range 2 East all
in aforesaid State and County To have and to hold to said
C. J. Nicolson his heirs and assigns forever.
Upon Condition however that if I pay the amount due
upon said Note above described on or before the said
25th day of Decr 1877 when the same falls due then this
Conveyance is to be void but if I fail to pay said note

in part or in full then the said C. J. Nicolson is hereby authorized to take possession of said land above described and after giving thirty days Notice of the time and place of sale in some News-paper published in Shelby County Ala. To sell the same to the highest bidder for cash at the Court house door of said County and to execute titles to the purchaser and to apply the proceeds of said sale 1st of the advertising and selling 2d of the amount with interest that may be due on said Note, and lastly if there be any surplus of said proceeds the same is to be re-turned to the undersigned — Witness my hand and seal this the 23d day of Decr AD 1876 W. T. Smith (SS)

State of Ala }
Shelby County } I David Edwards a Justice of the Peace hereby Certify that W. T. Smith whose name is signed to the foregoing Conveyance and who is personally 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 the 23d Decr 1876

David Edwards Justice of the Peace

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J. T. Leeper Judge of Probate