Merrell G. B.
To
Jno T. Cromwell

The State of Alabama } This Indenture made
Shelby County } and entered into this
9th day of April 1877 be
tween Green Merrell debtor of the first part
and John T. Cromwell creditor of the
2d part, Witnesseth: That whereas the said
party of the first part is justly indebted to
the said party of the 2d part in the sum of
One hundred and twenty five Dollars due
by promissory note bearing even date
herewith, and payable on or before the 1st day
of November 1877 unto 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 said party of the second part receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said party of the first part has sold and hereby sells and conveys to the said party of the second part the following described property to wit: The SE/4 of NW/4 & W/2 of NW/4 Sec 1 Township 24 Range 15 East, the land on which I now resides and all my crop of Corn and Cotton to be raised by me the present year, and one bay mare, one Eye out, Star in face and white spot on her nose, about ten 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 1st day of November 1877. And if the said party of the first part shall fully pay to the said party of the second part said debt and interest thereon and reasonable expenses hereof by said 1st day of November 1877 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 said property and sell the same to the highest bidder for cash after giving twenty (20) days notice of the time and place of said sale by posting at three public places and out of the proceeds of said sale retain the sum of One hundred and Twenty five dollars and interest thereon, and the reasonable costs hereof and the balance if any pay to the said party of the 1st part.

Signed sealed & delivered
this 10 day of April 1877
in presence of
Henry Hostes J.P.

Green Merrill (Seal)
Mary A. Merrill (Seal)

Satisfied & discharged December 1880
Merrill

The State of Alabama } I Henry C. Horton a
Shelby County } Justice of the Peace for said County Shelby County

that Green Merrill and Mary A. Merrill 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. and I further certify that Mary A Merrill known to me to be the wife of the said Green Merrill, who being by me examined separate and apart from her said husband touching her signature to this Conveyance acknowledges before me on this day that she signed the same voluntarily and of her own free will and without fear constraint or persuasion on the part of her said husband

Witness my hand this 10th day of April 1877

H. C. Horton
J. P.

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James T. Lufsey
Judge of Probate.