E. W. Courson
To
Wm Abbercrombie

The State of Alabama
Shelby County

Whereas E. W. Courson is justly indebted to Wm Abbercrombie by promissory note, given January 14th 1878, and due October 15th 1878, for the sum of forty four & 76/100 dollars, and whereas I have received from William Abbercrombie advances in supplies of meat, corn, farming implements, and merchandise, in the year

1876, amounting to forty four 76/100 dollars, to enable me to make a crop for the year 1876, which I obtained from him "bona fide" for the purpose of making a crop, and without such advances, to remain unpaid till about next October 1878, it would not be in my power to procure the necessary team, provisions, and farming implements, with which to make said crop. Now, therefore in consideration of the premisses, and to secure the said forty four 76/100 dollars punctual payment for the advances, and note above mentioned, and the further sum of one dollar, payed by said William Abercrombie, I hereby give to the said Wm Abercrombie statutory lien on one half of the crop of corn & cotton to be raised, on the plantation that I may rent or have rented in the year 1878, as provided for by section 1858 of the Revised Code of Alabama; and to further secure the payment of the above note, and said advances, I hereby bargain, sell and convey unto the said Wm Abercrombie, his heirs and assigns forever, the following described property to wit; one red cow about 7 years old named red, and one black cow about 5 years old named Easter, one black & white spotted about 3 years old and one black yearling, about 2 years old, all same, marked smooth crop off of the right ear. Now, if the said note and sums advanced, are paid up on or before 15th day of October 1878, then this conveyance to be void, and of no affect; but if I should fail to pay off the said sums of money at the time and in the manner above said, or should sell, or attempt to sell the said property, or any part thereof, or move the same from the limits of the county, then the said Wm Abercrombie shall be authorized by these presents to take said crops and property into possession, and sell the same to the highest bidder for cash, after first giving 5 days notice, by posters, at two public places in said county of time & place of sale, and with the proceeds of said sale, pay off said note and sums advanced, with interest accrued thereon, and the expenses attending said sale, and the said Wm Abercrombie may lawfully authorize any other person in writing, to take possession of said crops and property and to sell

the same as aforesaid, after paying off said notes, and advances, expenses, &c if there is any balance it is to be paid to the undersigned.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand, and affix my seal, on this, the 14 day of January 1878.

attest, J. H. Abercrombie } E. W. Courson (S.S)
A. F. Obarr

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