Alfred McClellen To, Wm M Richards

The State of Alabama } This indenture made
Shelby County } and entered into this 25-
day of December 1877 between Alfred McClellen of the first part and William M Richards of the 2nd part both of the County and State aforesaid witnesseth. That whereas the said party of the first part is justly indebted to the party of the 2nd part in the sum of Forty Two 50/100 Dollars due by note on the 1st day of Oct 1878: and the said party of the 1st part being willing and desirous to secure the payment of said indebtedness, he does do so by giving a lien on one Iron gray mare his entire stock of cattle and also his entire crop of corn and cotton to be grown in the year 1878. Now therefore if the said party of the 1st part fails to pay said sum when due it shall be lawful any time after the 1st day of Oct 1878 for the said party of the 2nd part to take charge of said property and crop and sell the same or a sufficiency thereof to pay said debt, and the necessary expenses of this deed in trust and apply the proceeds thereof to the payment of said debt In witness whereof I have hereunto set my name, the day and date first above written.

Alfred McClellen (Seal)

The State of Alabama } I N Lee a Justice of The Peace
Shelby County } in and for said county
hereby certify that Alfred McClellan whose
name is signed to the foregoing ~~conveyance~~
deed in trust who is known to me acknow-
ledged before me on this day that being in-
formed of the contents of the deed in trust
he executed the valuntarily on the day the
same bears date.
Given under my hand This 25 day of December
1877 N. Lee, J. P.
Filed for Record February 16th 1878 and Recorded
February 19th 1878 J T Leeper Judge of Probate