McAdams Governor
To
J. M. Stidd

The State of Alabama
Shelby County

This indenture made and entered into this 27 day of February 1878 between Governor McAdams debitor of the first part and J M Stidd creditor of the 2nd part, witnesseth: That whereas the said party of the 1st part is justly indebted to the party of the 2nd part in the sum of Fifteen dollars, due by promissory note and payable on or before the 1st day of Nov 1878; and the said party of the 1st part being desirous to to secure the payment of said indebtedness; for and in consideration thereof, the said party of the 1st part has sold, and hereby sells and conveys to the said party of the 2nd part, the following described property, to wit: All the corn and cotton grown in year 1878 to have and to hold, in trust, as follows; It is hereby agreed the said party of the 1st is to have and retain possession of the said property until the 1st day of Nov 1878; and if the said party of the 1st part shall fully pay to the said party of the 2nd part said debt and interest thereon, and reasonable expenses hereof by said 1st day of Nov 1878, then this indenture is to be void and void. But upon default of such payment the said party of the 2nd part is hereby authorized to take into possession and sell said property to the highest bidder for cash, at such time and place as he may select, after giving ten 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 Fifteen dollars, and interest thereon, and the reasonable costs hereof, and the balance, if any, pay to the 1st part. And it is agreed the party of the 2nd part may purchase at said sale.

Signed sealed and delivered this 27th day of February 1878, in presence of.

Bruce Harris
Wm R A Milner

Governor his x mark McAdams (L S)

The State of Alabama } I James T Leeper Judge of Probate
Shelby County } for said County hereby certify
that Bruce Harris a subscribing witness to the
foregoing conveyance known to me appeared before
me this day and being sworn stated that Seaman
McAdams the grantor in the conveyance voluntarily
executed the same in his presence and in the
presence of the other subscribing witness on the day
the same bears date, that he attested the same in
the presence of the grantor and of the other witness
and that such other witness subscribed his name
as a witness in his presence
Given under my hand this 28th day of February 1878
J T Leeper Judge of Probate
Filed for Record February 28th 1878 and Recorded
March 1st 1878 J T Leeper Judge of Probate