Mortgage J. W. Stride To Lehman & Sternfeld

The State of Alabama, Talladega County } Know all men by these Presents, That Lehman & Sternfeld Dealers in general Merchandise in the County of Talladega, and town of Talladega and State of Alabama, have at my request and for my accommodation and without which I could not make a crop, furnished me a Mare Mule of Lowell Cole. I James Stride hereby declare that these are obtained by me bona fide, for the purpose of making a crop year 1878. And for the further consideration of one hundred & Eight dollars worth of supplies, including all kinds of merchandise, which the said — deal in, and agree to supply me, so far as they have in store, during the present year, for the use of myself, family and laborers. I further declare that these advances are to be obtained by me bona fide, for the purpose of making a crop the present year, and without which I cannot make a crop. I desire to secure the said Lehman & Sternfeld against loss on account of said advances to me, Therefore, in consideration of the premises, I hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey to the said Lehman & Sternfeld said Mule (Mare) 3 years old and Two Bales cotton. Also my entire cotton corn, and small grain crop which I am to make or cause to be made on what is known as my Mothers place in Shelby County, also my crop that I may raise or cause to be raised on any plantation during the year 1878. I hereby stipulate and agree to gather, gin, and bale and prepare for market all my cotton raised on said place or places, as early as may be practicable, and deliver the same to the said Lehman & Sternfeld in the town of Talladega and State of Alabama, to be sold by them in the usual way, and the corn and small grain to be gathered, housed and cribbed on the said plantation and turned over to the said — to be sold in the manner they may wish, and if this indebtedness is not satisfied by 1st of December 1878, then the said Lehman & Sternfeld may take possession of said property herein described, and by giving five days notice of the time and place of sale by posting up notices

at three public places in said County and State, sell said property at public outcry for cash, to the highest bidder, and pay said indebtedness, and the cost of this trust, and the residue to me or my order.

Witness my hand & seal this the 30th day of December 1877

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of J M Thornton } J W Strickland (L S)

The State of Alabama } I William H Thornton Judge of
Talladega County } Probate Court of said County hereby certify that J M Thornton a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance known to me appeared before me this day and being sworn states that J W Strickland the grantor in the conveyance voluntarily executed the same in his presence, on the day the same bears date; and that he attested the same in the presence of the grantor at the same time as a witness.

Given under my hand this the 23rd day of February 1878.

Wm H Thornton Judge of Probate

Filed and Recorded March 1st 1878

J T Luper Judge of Probate