Smith Bryant) The State of Alabama } Whereas we are justly indebt-
To Shelby County } ed to Ehrman & Strauss by
Ehrman & Strauss) promissory note, given this the 6 of February 1878
and due by the 1st day of Nov 1878. for the sum of
dollars; and Whereas, we have received from Ehrman
& Strauss advances in supplies of meat, corn farming
implements and merchandise amounting to one hun-
dred dollars, to enable us to make a crop for the
year 1878, which we obtained from them "bona
fide" for the purpose of making a crop and without
such advances it would not be in our power to
procure the necessary team, provisions, and farming
implements with which to make said crop, and
whereas we have agreed to make further advances

to them for the purpose aforesaid, not to exceed —
dollars. Now therefore in consideration of the premises, and to secure the said payment for the advances and note above mentioned, and the further sum of one dollar, paid by said Ehrman & Stowell hereby give to the said Ehrman & Stowell statutory lien on entire crop of corn and cotton to be raised on our land in Shelby County 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 we hereby bargain, sell and convey unto the said Ehrman & Stowell heirs and assigns forever, the following described property to wit:
Two yoke of Oxen named "Jerry" "Bull" Bull Thom
Now if the said note and sums advanced, and to be advanced are paid up on or before the 1st day of Nov 1878 then this conveyance to be void and of no effect; but if we shall fail to pay off the said sums of money at the time and in the manner aforesaid, or shall 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 Ehrman & Stowell 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 five days notice, by posters, at two public places in said county of time and 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 Ehrman & Stowell 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 & advances, expences &c if there is any balance it is to be paid to the undersigned.
In testimony whereof we hereunto set our hand and affix our seal on this, the 6 day of February 1878.
Attest: John Garner — Bryant Smith (SS)
State of Alabama } I. G. W. Rogan a Justice of the Peace
Shelby County } for said county hereby certify that John Garner a subscribing witness to the foregoing

conveyance known to me appeared before me on this day and being sworn stated that Bryant Smith 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 witness in his presence.
Given under my hand this 22 day of February 1878
G. W. Rogers J.P.

Filed for Record March 1st 1878 and Recorded March 2 1878
J. T. Lufer Judge of Probate