Bradford, Handy
To
J M Stidd

The State of Alabama, Shelby County } This indenture made and entered into this 2nd day of March 1878, between Handy Bradford debtor 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 Twenty five 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 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; One Mare named Nelly. One Cow named Carrie & Calf – and all

the corn & cotton grown in the year 1878, to have and to hold, in trust, as follows: It is hereby agreed that the said party of the 1st part 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 null 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 publication in a newspaper, if one is published in the county, or by posting at three public places, and out of the proceeds of said sale retain the sum of Twenty-five dollars, and interest thereon, and the reasonable costs hereof, and the balance, if any, pay to the said party of the 1st part. And it is agreed the party of the 2nd part may purchase at said sale. Signed sealed and delivered this 2nd day of March 1878, in presence of:

Handy his x mark Bradford (L.S.)

Bruce Harris
Wm R A Milner

The State of Alabama, Shelby County } I James T Leper Judge of Probate 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 Handy Bradford 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 2d day of March 1878

J T Leper Judge of Probate

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J T Leper
Judge of Probate

Satisfied in full and discharged March 22/79 J M Wheeler for Johnson