Coker, James & wife
To
John W. Johnston & Amos E. Lawrence

The State of Alabama, Shelby County } This Indenture made and entered into this 9th day of March 1878 between James Coker and Martha Coker his wife, debtors, of the first part and John W. Johnston & Amos E. Lawrence creditors 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 Thirty Six 15/100 dollars, due by two waive notes, John W. Johnston, $20.15; A. E. Lawrence 16.00 and payable on

or before the 1st day of November 1878, and the said party of the first-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, S W 1/4 of S E 1/4 Sec 33 T 21 R 1 W and our entire crop grown in 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 November 1878, and if the said party of the 1st part shall fully pay to the said party of the 2nd part said debt, by said 1st day of November 1878, then this indenture is to be null & 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 Thirty Six 35/100 dollars, and the reasonable costs thereof, and the balance, if any pay to the said party of the 1st part. And it is agreed the party of the 2nd part ~~for~~ may purchase at said sale.

In testimony whereof we hereunto set our hands and affix our seals, on this the 9th day of March 1878

Attest:
John S Leiper

James his X mark Coker (S S)
Martha her X mark Coker (S S)

Satisfied in full and discharged
Nov 1st 1878
Johnson & Saxon

The State of Alabama, I Enoch Seale Justice of Peace
Shelby County } for said County, hereby certify that James Coker and Martha Coker whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance have executed the same voluntarily, on the day the same bears date

Witness my hand this 9th day of March 1878,
E Seale J P,

Filed for Record March 9th 1878, and Recorded March 11th 1878
James T Leiper
Judge of Probate