

McGraw & Co. The State of Alabama Whereas we are justly indebted to J. W.  
John Grant Shelby County Johnson by promissory note, given the 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of March 1878 and due the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November next,  
Isaac W. Johnson for the sum of Ninety six  $\frac{5}{8}$  dollars, and whereas we  
have received from him advances in supplies of meat,  
corn, farming implements and merchandise, amounting  
to 96  $\frac{5}{8}$  dollars, to enable us to make a crop for the year 1878,  
which we obtained from him "bona fide" for the purpose  
of making a crop, and without such advances, it would  
not lie in our power to procure the necessary team,  
provisions, and farming implements with which to  
make said crop, ~~and whereas~~. Now, therefore in consider-

ation of the premises, and to secure J. W. Johnson payment for the advances and note above mentioned, and the further sum of one dollar, paid by said J. W. Johnson hereby give to the said J. W. Johnson statutory lien on either crop of corn and cotton to be raised by him in said County on Wm. McGowen farm 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 J. W. Johnson heirs and assigns forever, the following described property, to wit: One dun or clay bank Mare 10 years old, - one cow and calf, one rifle gun, one Bay horse 4 years old.

Now, if the said note and sums advanced are paid upon or before 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 1878 then this conveyance to be void and of no effect; but if we should fail to pay off the said sums of money at the time and in the manner aforesaid, or should 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 J. W. Johnson 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 J. W. Johnson 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 and advances, expenses &c, if there is any balance it is to be paid to the undersigned.

In testimony whereof we hereunto set our hands and affix our seals on this, the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 1878,

Attest: W. T. Johnson

*Wm. T. Johnson  
J. T. Johnson  
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J. G. Leeper Judge of Probate