Steele Alex To Duran & Nelson

The State of Alabama) On or before the 1st day of Nov 1879 Alex
Shelby County) Steele promises to pay to the order of Duran
& Nelson Fifty five dollars for value received. The right
of exemption, under the Constitution and laws of Ala=
bama is hereby waived, as provided for in Section 7 Article
10 in the Constitution and Chapter 2 Title 6 Part 2 of the
Code of the State of Alabama. A part of the considera=
tion of this obligation is an advancement made by said
Duran & Nelson of money and provisions to the above
amount "bona fide" for the purpose of making a crop
this year 1879 and without which it would not be in my
power to procure the requirements to make such crop
and hereby declare the aforesaid advances or the amount
thereof shall constitute a lien on all the crop grown by me in
Shelby County Alabama this year, in accordance with the Act
Approved January 15th 1866: and to further secure the pay=
ment of the aforesaid obligation according to the tenor and effect
thereof — hereby also bargain, sell and convey to the said
Duran & Nelson their agent or assign the following described
personal property to wit: All the crop of corn & cattle Raised
in the year 1879 also one cow & calf, Red with white face also
one Red Dun cow. In default of payment at maturity
of the aforesaid obligation the said Duran & Nelson their agent
or assign are hereby authorized to take said property into

their possession, sell the same as they may deem best, and apply the proceeds thereof to the payment of this obligation and expenses incident to the execution of this trust; upon this condition, nevertheless, if said obligation is paid at maturity, this conveyance is null and void. And it is further agreed if the said Durant & Nelson shall advance to the said Alex Steele during the present year any money, provisions or merchandise of any description, over and above the amount of said note this instrument shall also stand as security for the same, as fully as if included in said note. And the said Alex Steele hereby declare that the above conveyed property is his own, and that there is no lien or incumbrance on the same. In further consideration of the premises I hereby also declare that there will be no outside crops to be claimed by wife, daughter, or any one whatsoever, but that this instrument is to constitute a lien on the entire crop raised on my place this year. Witness my hand and seal this 8° day of February 1879.

Attest: I D Mason — Alex his × mark Steele (Seal)

F A Nelson

The State of Alabama } I James T Leper Judge of Probate for said
Shelby County } County hereby certify that Isaac D Mason a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance known to me appeared before me on this day and being sworn stated that Alex Steele 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 13th day of February 1879.

James T Leper Judge of Probate

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James T Leper Judge of Probate