Volt Ben
To
Bruce Harris & Co

The State of Alabama) On or before 1st day of Nov 1879 I promise
Shelby County) to pay to the order of Bruce Harris & Co
Seven 47/100 dollars for value received. The right of exemption under the laws of Alabama is hereby waived as provided for in Section 7 Article 10 in the Constitution of the State of Alabama. The consideration of this obligation is an advancement made by said Bruce Harris & Co 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 I hereby declare the aforesaid advances or the amount thereof shall constitute a lien on my crop grown on my F. Nelson

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Jul 12 1879
Bruce Harris & Co

plantation in Shelby County Alabama this year in accordance with the Act approved January 15th 1866: and to further secure the payment of the aforesaid obligation according to the tenor and effect thereof, I hereby also bargain, sell, and convey to the said Bruce & Harris & Co. or agent or assigns the following described personal property, to wit:—

For the sum of Seven 47/100 dollars which amount has been paid to me and for which receipt is herewith given. In default of payment at maturity of the aforesaid obligation the said Bruce & Harris & Co or agent or assigns 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 Bruce & Harris & Co shall advance to the said Ben Holt during the present year any money or provisions 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 Ben Holt 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 on the said place owned by my wife, daughter or anyone whatsoever, but that this instrument is to constitute a lien on the entire crop raised on the said place this year.

Witness my signature this 25th day of January 1879.

Attest:

J W Johnston

Ben his X mark Holt

The State of Alabama } I Walter Orr Notary Public for said county hereby
Shelby County } certify that John W Johnston a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance, known to me appeared before me this day and being sworn stated that Ben Holt 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 18 day of February 1879 Walter Orr N.P.

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James T Leper Judge of Probate