Monroe, A. H.
To
Bruce Harris & Co

The State of Alabama } On or before the 1st day of Nov I promise to pay to the order of
Shelby County { Bruce Harris & Co Seventy five dollars for value received.
The right of exemption under the Constitution and laws of Alabama 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 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 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 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 their agents or assign the following described personal property to wit: —

In default of payment at maturity of the aforesaid obligation, the said Bruce Harris & Co 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 Bruce Harris & Co shall advance to the said A K Merrell 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 A. K. Merrell hereby declares 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 anyone 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 4th day of March 1879.

H W Nelson Attest: A K Merrell (Seal)

Jno W Pitts

The State of Alabama } I James T Leeper Judge of Probate for said County
Shelby County } hereby certify that H W Nelson a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance known to me appeared before me this day and being sworn stated that A K Merrell 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 6 day of March 1879

J. T. Leeper Judge of Probate

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James T Leeper Judge of Probate