Bell Peter To T.J. Martin & Co

The State of Alabama) On or before 1st day of November 1879 I
Shelby County) promise to pay to the order of T.J. Martin & Co. Forty 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 T.J. Martin & Co of money and
provisions to the above amount bona fide for the purpose
of making a crop this year 187- and without which it would
not be in my power to procure the requirements to
make such crop, and I hereby declare the aforesaid ad-
vances or the amount thereof shall constitute a lien on
my crop grown on A.F. Bells plantation in St Clair County
Alabama, this year, in accordance with the Act approved
January 18th 1866; and to further secure the payment of the
aforesaid obligation according to the tenor and effect there-
of I hereby also bargain sell and convey to the said
T.J. Martin & Co or agent or assign the following
described personal property to wit: on my entire stock
on my crop of corn and cotton to be grown the present year
for the sum of Forty 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 T.J.
Martin & Co or agent or assign I 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 convey-
ance is null and void. And it is further agreed if the
said T.J. Martin & Co shall advance to the said Peter Bell
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 Peter Bell 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 his
place, owned by my wife, daughter, or any one whatsoever, but that this
instrument is to constitute a lien on the entire crop raised on his
place this year, Witness my signature this 8th day of Feby 1879

attest: H.C. Phillips

Peter his x mark Bell

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J T Leeper Judge of Probate