Swann J.
Billips J. A.
to
Davis & Corr

(No 319) Know all men by these presents
That whereas by virtue of the acts of the Con-
gress of the United States and of the gener-
al assembly of Alabama referred to in the
act of the general assembly of Alabama ap-
proved approved Feb 10th 1876 entitled an act
to vacate the power of disposal of the lands
granted by an act of Congress entitled an
Act granting public lands in alternate sec-
tions to the State of Alabama to aid in the
construction of certain railroads in said
State approved June 3rd 1856 which power
of disposal is conferred upon the ~~State~~ Legislature of Al-
abama by said act of Congress and by
virtue of what was done prior to Feb 10th
1876 by or under or in pursuance of the leg-
islation of Congress and the legislation of
the State of alabama the said State had become
completely vested with the title to the lands
embraced by said acts of Congress for the
uses shown in said acts of Congress
Whereas the said State prior to Feb 10th 1876
and more than 6 mos prior to the duly de-
creed bankruptcy of the Alabama and Chat-
anooga Rail Road had acquired a valid lien
in good faith upon all of said lands to
which the Alabama and Chattanooga Rail Road
Company was had any right or title either legal
or Equitable by a conveyance executed by that
company to the State of Alabama to secure an
indebtedness of that Company to the State great-
er than the value of the interest of said that com-
pany in or to said lands no part of which indebt-
edness has yet been paid to said State and
Whereas by a deed executed and bearing
date executed and bearing date the 8th of
February 1877 the said lands were conveyed
by the governor of said state of Alabama in
pursuance of an act of the general assembly
of alabama approved Feb 1876 entitled "an act
to ratify and confirm the 23rd settlement of the ex-
isting indebtedness of this State as proposed
in the report of the Commissioners appointed

under the act approved 14th Dec 1844 and which was communicated to the General assembly by the message of the Governor of 24th of Jan 1846 and to carry said settlement into effect by issuing of new Bonds of this State at a reduced rate of interest in adjustment of a portion of said indebtedness and the surrender of certain securities held by the State in discharge of another portion of said indebtedness to John A Billups and John Swann as trustees for purposes in said deed specified and whereas the said John A Billups and John Swann have been invested with power and authority to dispose of sell and convey the said lands in accordance with the provisions of said deed and said last mentioned act of Feb 23rd 1846 and whereas "John L Davis and Dennis Carr in their own name in the county of Shelby and State of Alabama on Oct 8th 1844 became purchaser from said Billups and Swann trustees as aforesaid of a part of said lands as hereinafter described lying in the county of Shelby and State of Alabama containing according to the original survey of said lands (120) One hundred & twenty acres more or less at and for the price of ($720) Seven hundred and twenty dollars but no conveyance of said land was made to said John L Davis and Dennis Carr or either of them and whereas the said John L Davis and Dennis Carr have paid to the said John A Billups and John Swann as such trustees aforesaid the sum of ($720) Seven hundred and twenty dollars in cash and executed 0 notes for the sum of 00 Dollars the balance due and unpaid on said purchase of said land hereinafter described. Now therefore in consideration of the premises we the said John A Billups and John Swann as such trustees ~~aforesaid~~ and by virtue of the power vested in us as such trustees aforesaid by said deed of conveyance of the 8th of Feb 1844 and by said act of Feb 23rd 1846 have granted bargained and

Sold and do by these presents grant bargain sell and convey unto the said John L Davis and Dennis Carr all the Estate right and title and interest of the Alabama & Chatanooga Rail Road Company as well as of the State of Alabama Bistrict in us as such trustees or which we can convey in and unto the said lands above described to wit The west half of the Northwest quarter (W½ of NW¼) in Section (9) nine and the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter (NW¼ of NW¼) in Section Fifteen (15) In ~~Tow~~ Township in section All in town Ship (20) Twenty Range (3) three West and lying in the County of Shelby State of Alabama Containing according to the original Survey of said lands (120) one hundred and Twenty acres more or lese to have and to hold the said land hereinBefore particularly mentioned and described unto the said John L Davis and Dennis Carr his heirs and assigns forever Witness our hands and Seals this Oct 15/1878

John Swand
John A Billips

State of New York } I a Commissioner for Alabama
County of New York } bama in the City of New York hereby certify John Swand whose name Signed to the foregoing Conveyance and who is personally known to me for himself acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the foregoing Conveyance he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand this 21st day of October 1878 Edwin F. Cooy Jr
Commissioner for the State of Alabama in N. York

State of Alabama } I W C Moser a Notary Public
~~Montgomery~~ County } for said County hereby certify that John A Billips whose name is signed to the foregoing Conveyance and who is personally known to me for himself acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the foregoing

conveyance he executed the same voluntarily
on the day the same bears date
Given under my hand this 12th day of
November 1878

H. C. Moses
Notary Public

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