Sowells Thos. D. to W. E. Cross.

State of Alabama. Shelby County
Know all men by these Presents; That for and in consideration of the sum of Four hundred Dollars to the undersigned grantors Thomas D. Sowells in hand paid by Wallis E. Cross the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged we do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Wallis E. Cross, the following described real estate to wit: the S½ of SW¼ Sec. 20 T. 19. S. R. 2 W 80 acres more or less. the coal & privilege of mining the same is reserved from the above described lands, situated lying and being in the County of Shelby and State of Alabama.
To have and to hold to the said Wallis E. Cross his heirs and assigns forever. And we do for our selves our heirs, executors and administrators covenant with the said Wallis E. Cross, his heirs and assigns that we are lawfully seized in fee simple of said premises, that they are free from all incumbrances, and that they have a good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid, that we will

and their heirs, executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said Walter E. Ivey his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims of all persons.
Given under our hand & seal this the 26th day of Nov. 1883
Attest James L. Bain, Thomas D. Sowells (L.S.)
Effy A. Sowells (L.S.)

The State of Alabama, } I Wm. Atkinson a Justice
Shelby County } of Peace in and for said County, hereby certify that Thomas D. Sowells & Effy A. Sowells whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.
Given under my hand this 26 day of November, 1883.
Wm. Atkinson J.P.

The State of Alabama, } I Wm. Atkinson a Justice
Shelby County } of the Peace, for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that on the 26th day of November 1883 came before me the within named Effy A. Sowells known & made known to me to be the wife of the within named Thomas D. Sowells who being by me examined separate and apart from the husband, touching her signature to the within deed acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord, and without fear constraint or threats on the part of her husband.
In witness whereof I hereto set my hand this 26 day of Nov. 1883.
Wm. Atkinson, J.P.
Filed May 13th 1884 & recorded.
James T. Lupo, Judge of Probate.