Harper to Phillips

The State of Alabama, }
Shelby County. } Know all men by these presents, That for and in consideration of One hundred and forty ($140.00) Dollars to the undersigned grantor J. E. Harper in hand paid by Martha Phillips the receipt whereof is ~~here~~ acknowledged I the said J. E. Harper do grant, bargain sell and convey unto the said Martha Phillips the following described real estate, to wit; East half (1/2) of the South East quarter (1/4) of section twenty six (26) and the West half (1/2) of the South West quarter (1/4) of section twenty five (25) and the North East quarter (1/4) of the North East quarter of section thirty five (35) and the North West quarter (1/4) of the North West quarter (1/4) of section thirty six (36) all in Township Forty one (21); Range five (5) West and containing two hundred and forty (240) acres more or less and situated in Shelby County, State of Alabama. - I hereby and to bind to the said Martha Phillips heirs and assigns forever. And I do for my heirs, executors and administrators covenant with the said Martha Phillips heirs and assigns, that I am lawfully seized in fee simple of said premises: that they are free from all incumbrances, and that I have a good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid; that I will and my heirs, executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said Martha Phillips heirs, executors and assigns forever, against the lawful claims of all persons. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 19th day of January 1898.

J. E. Harper (seal)
Mary X Harper (seal)
her mark

Witnesses:
C. C. Haynie
James Goggins

The State of Alabama, } I, J. G. Nance, Notary
Shelby County. } Public and Ex-off Justice

of the Peace, in and for said State & County hereby certify that J. E. Harper & Mary Harper whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand, this 19th day of January 1898.

J. G. Harris, N P & Ex off J.P.

The State of Alabama, } J. J. G. Harris N.P & Ex off J.P.
Shelby County. } a Notary of the Peace in and for said State & County hereby certify that on the day of January, 1898. came before me the within named Mary Harper known to me to be the wife of the within named J. E. Harper who, being examined separate and apart from her husband in reference to her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord, without fear, constraint or threats on the part of her husband. Given under my hand, this 19th day of January 1898.

J. G. Harris, N P & Ex off J.P.

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D. R. McMillan. Judge of Probate