Lester & Co
To
Willis A. Lester

The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } Know all men by these presents: That whereas on the nineteenth day of May 1891 Henry Bowie and Patience Bowie his wife execute to Lester, Mason and Company a mortgage deed recorded in the office of the probate Judge of Shelby County in mortgage Book Twenty seven, page two hundred and sixty six, in which they conveyed to the said Lester, Mason & Company the following described real estate situated in Shelby County, Alabama and more particularly described as follows, to wit: The southeast quarter of the north-west quartir of section thirty one, Township Twenty one Range one east. Containing forty acres more or less. And whereas the said firm of Lester, Mason & Company was composed S. L. Lester, Isaac D. Mason and Samuel B Lester, and whereas on the tenth day of may, 1899, the said Isaac D. Mason departed this life leaving a last will and testament, by the terms of which he bequeathed to Mary E. Mason all his property, real, per-

sonal and mixed, and whereas said last will and testament has been duly admitted to probate court of Shelby County, Alabama on the twenty ninth day of May 1899, and whereas by the effect of said will, all of the intrest of the said Isaac D. Mason in and to the property covered by this said mortgage passed to the said Mary E. Mason,
And whereas the said Mary E. Mason by her deed dated January twenty ninth, 1900 and recorded in the office of the Judge of probate of Shelby County, Alabama in mortgage Book fifty two, page 35, conveyed to Lester and Company, a firm composed of S.L. Lester and Samuel R. Lester all of her right title and interest in and to the said mortgaged property,

And whereas in said mortgage deed it was agreed by and between said Lester Mason and Company and said ~~Henry~~ Bowie and Patience Bowie that if the said mortgage was not paid at the time the same fell due, then the said Lester, Mason and Company or their successors or assigns should have the right after giving notice of the time, terms and place of sale by posting notices thereof at three public places in Shelby County for ten days, to sell said lands at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash for the purpose of paying the debt secured by said mortgage, and whereas said debt was not paid at the time it fell due, and whereas said Lester and Company have given notice by posting for ten days at the court House door and at the door of the Post office and at the door of the depot of the Alabama Mineral Land Company all in Columbiana in Shelby County, Alabama notices of the time, place and terms of the said ~~sale~~, did offer said lands for sale at the door of the Court House in Shelby County, on the seventh day of February 1900 to the highest bidder for cash,
And whereas at said sale, Willis A. Lester

bid for said lands the sum of Fifty seven dollars and eighty eight Cents and whereas said bid was the highest, best and last bid for said lands, And whereas the said Willis A. Lester has paid the said sum of Fifty seven dollars and eighty eight Cents to the full satisfaction of the Undersigned Lester & Company,

Now therefore for the Consideration of the premises, and the said sum of Fifty seven dollars and eighty eight Cents, we do by these presents give, grant, bargain, sell and Convey unto the said Willis A. Lester, his heirs and assigns forever all the right, title and interest which the said Henry Bowie and Patience Bowie his wife had into the said mortgage premises, to have and to hold unto the said Willis A. Lester, his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this seventh day of February, 1900.

The addition of the words "for ten days" to line fourteen on page two of this deed and of the words on the "seventh day of February 1900." to line nineteen of page two of this deed were made before the ensealing of these presents

Samuel R Lester
By Willis A Lester atty in fact (Seal)

Ann V Lester
By Willis A Lester atty in fact (Seal)

S. L. Lester
By T.W. Lester atty in fact (Seal)

The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } I J R White
Register in Chancery in and for said County and State hereby certify that Willis A. Lester, who is known to me and who as the attorney in fact of Samuel R. Lester and A. V. Lester his wife, signed the name of the said Samuel R. Lester and A. V.

Lester to the foregoing instrument, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the foregoing instrument he as the attorney in fact of the said Samuel R. Lester and A. V. Lester executed the same voluntarily on the day same bears date

Given under my hand this February 7th 1900

J. R. White
Register in Chancery

The State of Alabama
Shelby County } I J R White
Register in Chancery in and for said County and State hereby certify that J H Lester, who is known to me and who as the attorney in fact of S L Lester signed the name of Lester & Company and the name of S L. Lester to the foregoing instrument, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the foregoing instrument, he as the attorney in fact of S. L. Lester executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand this 7th day of February, 1900.

J. R. White
Register in Chancery

Filed for record on the 7th day of Feb. 1900. And recorded

A P Longshore
Judge of Probate