The State of Alabama } This Indenture, made and entered
Shelby County } into, this, the 16th day of May 1904.
by and between James E. Backus, and his wife, Rosa E.—
Backus, parties of the first part, and J. E. Mahon, party of
the second part, Witnesseth that for and in Con—
sideration of the sum of twelve hundred dollars,
($1,200.00) in hand paid by said party of the second
part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,
said parties of the first part have granted, bargained
and sold, and do by these presents, grant, bargain, sell and convey
unto said party of the second part, the following described real
estate, lying and being in the said County and State, to wit: The South
east quarter of the North west quarter, and the South west
quarter of the North east quarter, and all of the North
west quarter of the South east quarter that lies east
of Mayberry Creek, and the North west quarter of the North
west quarter all in section eleven (11) Township twenty
four (24) Range Eleven (11) east excepting and reser—
ving from this conveyance the mineral and coal rights
and wood and water to mine the same, and also excepting
such stone and rights of way as may be necessary for
the proper mining of said coal and mineral which
rights and easements have been heretofore conveyed to
other parties, To Have & to Hold, the aforegranted prem—
ises, together with all and singular the rights, privileges,
tenements and hereditaments thereunto belonging or appur—
taining - with the exceptions aforesaid - unto said
party of the second part his heirs and assigns, forever.
And said parties of the first part hereby covenant with
said party of the second part, that they are lawfully
seized of the aforegranted premises to the extent
herein conveyed that they have a good right to sell
& convey the same, and that they will warrant and
defend the title to the same to said party of the
second part his heirs and assigns, against the
lawful claims or demands of any and all persons,
whomsoever, either at law or in equity. But it is un—
derstood and agreed, and a part of the condition of this
conveyance that said parties of the first part are
to have and retain the possession of the said afore—
granted premises until the first day of Jan 1905,
free of rent or other charge.

In testimony whereof said parties of the first part have hereunto set ~~our~~ their hands and seals on this the day and date first above written

James Backus (Seal)
Rosa E. Backus (Seal)

The State of Alabama
Shelby County } I William Lyman, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State hereby certify that James Backus, and Rosa E. Backus, 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, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date. Given under my hand this the 16th day of May, 1904.

Wm Lyman,
Notary Public.

The State of Alabama }
Shelby County } I, Wm Lyman, a Notary Public in & for said County in said State do hereby certify that on the 16th day of May 1904. Came before me the within named Rosa E. Backus, known to me to be the wife of the within named James E. Backus, who being examined separate and apart from her husband touching her signature to the within Conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord, and without fear, constraint or threats on the part of the husband. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand on this the 16th day of May, A.D. 1904.

Notary Public

Filed for record January 2nd 1905 & recorded

W P Langston
Judge of Probate