The State of Alabama } Before me W. J. Cosby a Notary Public in
Shelby County } and for said County in said State personally appeared G. W. Merrell who being first duly sworn according to law doth depose and say as follows towit:
That he is acquainted with the following lands in Shelby county, Alabama towit; All that part of the N.W¼ of the N.W¼ of Section 26, Township 21, South Range 1 East lying north of Beeshay creek. That he has known said lands for a period of 22 years during which time they have been in the open, notorious, exclusive, actual and adverse possession of their successive owners hereinafter named under claim of ownership. That when he first knew said lands they were owned by and in the actual adverse possession of J. R. Browning who owned the same and who continued in such possession of said lands as the owner thereof until the year 1890 when he conveyed the same to said J. A. Skelton who took possession of same and held them adversely as aforesaid has been in possession of the same until the present time. Lurand Skelton and L. F. Skelton are one and the same person and is the wife of J. A. Skelton.
And they are now owned and in the possession of J. A. Skelton.
That he has never heard the title to said lands questioned

in any way and no one has ever claimed any interest in them during said time except the owners above named and no one claims any interest in them now as against the present owner named above.

G. W. Merrell

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 19th day of March, 1913.

L. L. Simms. N. J. Hosley Notary Public.

The State of Alabama } I hereby certify that the within conveyance was
Shelby County } filed in this office for record April 3, 1913, at 1 o'clock P.M. and recorded in Deed Record 52, page 89 and examined

A. C. Longmire, Judge of Probate.