State of Alabama } Personally came before me, Hosea Pearson
Shelby County } a Notary Public Ex officio J.P. in and for
said State and County A.B. Merrell who makes oath
that he knew Samuel Merrell in his life time and that
the said Samuel Merrell was in the open, continuous

adverse, notorious and peaceable possession of the East half of the South West quarter of Section 1, Township 24, North of Range 15 East, which lies North of Spring Creek, for a period of 20 years and more prior to the time of his death claiming it as his own, and that after his death his widow and heirs remained in the possession of same until the death of his widow Mary E. Merrell about 1892, and that the said Mary E. Merrell agreed to convey to Richmond Merrell and put him in possession of said tract of land, which he has held openly, notoriously and continuously since her death. Affiant further states that the said Samuel Merrell was in the continuous, open, notorious and adverse possession of the east half of the Southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 24 North of Range 15 East, for 20 years and more prior to his death, claiming it as his own, and after his death, the same was in the possession of his widow and heirs, and since the death of his widow, the same has been in the possession of H. B. Merrell and Richmond Merrell, except that part north and east of Spring Creek, which have held, claimed and used the same as their own.

H. B. his X mark Merrell.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 24th day of January 1913.

Hosea Pearson, N.P. & Ex officio J.P.

The State of Alabama } I hereby certify that the within conveyance
Shelby County } was filed in this office for record January 16, 1914, at 1 o'clock P.M. and recorded in Deed Record 52 - page 525 and examined.

A. P. Longshore, Judge of Probate.