

State of Alabama } Personally before me, E. B. Hatcher a N. P. & J. off.
 Shelby County Justice of Peace, in and for said State and
 County, appeared J. B. Davis who having been first duly sworn, de-
 posed and says under oath that his name is J. B. Davis that
 he is 67 years of age, that he resides in Shelby County Alabama,
 that he is acquainted with and knows a certain tract or por-
 cel of land that is located and situated in the Counties of
 Jefferson and Shelby in the State of Alabama, that is de-
 scribed as the S.W. 1/4 of Sec. 22 P. 8 Range 1 West containing
 one hundred and fifty (150) acres, that he has been acquaint-
 ed with and knows said tract or parcel of land, for 70
 years, that said land was owned by one Isaac Loney, Sr.
 in his life time, in fee simple, that he was in the posses-
 sion of said land, under an open notorious and contin-
 uous possession for 75 years, until his death, under claim
 of title to it, that he had said land assessed as his property
 and paid the taxes on it since about the year 1864 up to the time
 of his death, and that he operated a grist-mill and tan yard
 during the time he resides in Shelby County Alabama, that he
 purchased said land for the purpose to get wood and timber
 and bark to operate his mill and tan yard, that during the
 time when he resided in Shelby County Alabama, and operated
 said mill and tan yard, and after he purchased said land, he
 cut or had cut wood and timber and tan bark off of same
 continuously up to the time or date, that he moved to the State
 of Texas in the year 1869 that he or his heirs cleared about five
 (5) or ten (10) acres of said land on or near the east line of it, and
 cultivated the same for a number of years, that said land
 was, and is timbered mountain land, and was not used
 for cultivation, except the above mentioned five (5) or ten (10) acres
 of same, that he purchased the land from one, Mary Willis
 and then sold it to A. H. Whitfield, that said Whitfield did
 not pay the purchase money for it, and having executed a
 mortgage on it, to him, Loney, he Loney foreclosed said
 mortgage said mortgage on the land and at the foreclosure
 sale purchased it, that pursuant to the foreclosure sale
 a deed to the land was executed to said Loney that both
 this deed and the deed to the land executed by Mary Willis
 as aforesaid were recorded in the Probate Court of Shelby
 County Alabama, that the Court House of Shelby County Alabama

was burned in or about the year 1870, and the records and books of the Probate Court of Shelby County, Alabama, were burned in said burning of said Court house, that said deeds have been lost and destroyed since they were recorded, or about the time that they were recorded in said Probate Court, that he Isaac Loney Sr. died shortly after he moved to the State of Texas leaving the following named heirs at law and children viz: Isaac Loney, M. R. Loney, D. F. Loney, and W. C. Loney, that all of the same are now living in the State of Texas, that they have remained in the possession of said land, and are now in the possession of it, that since the death of their father they have assessed it for taxes and paid the taxes on it continuously and had the land surveyed about or since the time of the death of their father, and that no one has ever made any claim to said land or the ownership of it during the time that affiant has been acquainted with and known the same.

(Signature)

J. B. Davis - Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 20th day of July, 1911.

E. B. Hatchers Justice of the Peace

The State of Alabama } I hereby certify that the within
Shelby County } conveyance was filed in this office
for record 5 January 1915 at 11 o'clock A.M. and recorded
in Deed Record 55 - pages 220 and examined.

A. B. Longshore, Judge of Probate