

State of Alabama) Personally, before me — a — in
 — County. And for said State and County, appeared C. C.
 Kelley, who having been first duly sworn, deposes and says un-
 der oath that his name is C. C. Kelley, that he is 53 years of
 age, that he resides in Jefferson County, Alabama, that he
 is acquainted with and knows a certain tract or parcel of
 land, that is located and situated in the Counties of Jefferson
 and Shelby, in the State of Alabama, that is described as
 the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 19, Tp. 18, Range 1 West, containing one hun-
 dred and sixty (160) acres, that he has been acquainted with
 and known said tract or parcel of land, for 40 years, that
 said land was owned by one Isaac Loney Jr. in his life-
 time, in fee simple, that he was in the possession of said
 land, under an open notorious and continuous possession
 for 40 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 tann-
 yard during the time he resides in Shelby County, Ala-
 bama, that he purchased said land for the purpose to
 get wood and timber and bark to operate his mill and
 tann yard, that during the time when he resided in Shelby
 County, Alabama, and operated said mill and tann yard,
 and after he purchased said land, he cut, or had cut

wood and timber, and took 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, Looney, he Looney foreclosed 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 Looney, 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 Looney Jr. died shortly after he moved to the State of Texas leaving the following named heirs at law, and other men viz: Isaac Looney, M. R. Looney, D. F. Looney, and W. C. Looney, that all of 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 its 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 knows the same.

C. C. Kelley - Affiant
 Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 21 day
 of July 1911.
 Witnesses: A. Edwards,
 S. H. Collins.

Justice of the Peace

The State of Alabama } I hereby certify, that the within con-
Shelby County }veyance was filed in this office
for record 5-January 1915, at 11 o'clock A.M. and recorded
in Deed Record 537 page 322 and examined.
A.P. Longshore, Judge of Probate.