KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That whereas, by virtue of the acts of Congress of the United States and of the General Assembly of Alabama, referred to in the act of the General Assembly of Alabama, approved February 10, 1876, entitled "An act to execute the power of disposal of the lands, granted by an act of Congress, entitled, "An act granting public lands in alternate sections to the state of Alabama, to aid in the construction of certain railroads in said State, approved June 3, 1856; which power of disposal is conferred uponthe Legislature of Alabama by said Act of Congress," and by virtue of what was done prior to February 10, 1976, by or under, or in pursuance of the legislation of Congress and the legislation of the state of Alabama, the said State had become completely/with the titles to the lands embraced by said acts of Congress for the uses and purposes shown in said acts of Congress; and whereas, the said State; prior to February 10, 1876, and more than six months prior to the duly decreed bankruptcy of the Alabama and Chattanooga Railroad Company, had acquired a valid lien in good faith, upon all of said lands to which the Alabama and Chattanooga Railroad Company ever had any right or title, either legal of equitable, by a conveyance executed by that Company to the State of Alabama, to secure an indebtedness of that Company to said State greater than the value of the interest of that Company inor to said lands, no part of which indebtedness has everheen paid to said State; and thereas, by a deed, executed and bearing date of the 8th day of February, 1877, the said lands were conveyed by the Governor of said State of Alabama, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly, of Alabama, approved February 23, 1876, entitled, "An act to ratify and confirm the settlement of the existing indebtedness of this State, as proposed in the report of the Commissioners appointed under the act approved 17th day of December, 1874; and which was communicated to the General Assembly by message of the Goverhor of 24th day of January, 1876, and to carry said settlement into effect by the issuance of new bonds of this State, at a reduced rate of interest, in adjustment of a portion of said indebtedness, and the surrender of certain securities held by the State in discharge of another portion of said indebtedness," to John A. Billups and John Swann, as trustees for the purposes inthe said deed specified; and whereas, the said John A. Billups and John Swann become vested with the power and authority to dispose of, sell and convey said lands in accordance with the provisions of said deed, and of said last mentioned act of "ebruary 23, 1876. and whereas, the said John A. Billups and John Swann, trautees, as disclosed in said deed and said act of ebruary 23, 1876, have been directed since May, 1886, by the holders of such of the bonds described in the fifteenth section of said last mentioned act as had been surrendered to the Governor on or before the first day of May, 1886, in accordance with the provisions of said last mentioned act, to convey and accordingly have conveyed to The Alabama State Land Company, all of said lands remaining unsold by said trustees, including in said conveyance the partel or parcels of land hereinafter specifically described, and The Alabama State Land Company, above mentioned, has this day sold to 0--H. A. Ragsdale---- of Shelby County, Alabama--- the parcel or parcels of said lands hereinafter Marticularly described at and for the price of Seven (\$7.00) dollars per acre, total purchase price- Two fundred and eighty--(\$280.00* Dollars, upon the terms herein shown, that is to say, the said--H. A. Ragsdale-- has this day paid to The Alabama State Land Company the sum of--Two Hundred and eighty---- (\$280.00)--dollars in cash. Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises, The Alabama State Land Company

Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises, The Alabama State Land Company doth by these presents grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said -H. A. Ragsdale-- the parcel or parcels of land specifically described, as follows, subject, however, to the reservations herein set forth, to-wit:

The Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter, Section Twrenty three, Township seventeen South of Range One East (NE2 of NW2, Sec 23, Tp 17, S.R.1-E)----Subject to Alabama Power Company-right of way----

containing --forty (40) acres, more or less, situated in the County of Shelby, in the State of Alabama. And it is distinctly agreed as part and partel of the terms of this sale of the Mands above described, that The Alabama State Land Company does not convey to the said _H. A. Ragsdale-- but reserves to itself; edther for its own benefit or for sale to others. all the iron ore, coal, oil, petroleum, gas, limestone and other minerals contained in or upoh said lands, and also the right of way and the right to build such rail or tramways of any description and to construct such pipe lines over the same as may be necessary for the convenient transportation of the coal, oil, and other minerals from said lands and from any other lands that the said The Alabama State Land Company, its successors or assigns, or any person holding under it, or its successors or assigns may own as mining property in connection with the lands above described, and also the right of way and the right to build such rail and tramways over said lands as may be convenient in transporting all material and implements, that may be of usein mining upon said lands and the other lands herein referred to; and also all the timber and water upon the lands herein conveyed necessary for bhe development, working, and mining the coal, iron and other minerals therein; and also the right to build for the occupancy of employees all such houses on the lands herein conveyed as may be necessary or convenient in mining said lands, together with all other necessary mining privileges. And it is further understood and agreed that the grantee or grantees, in this conveyance will not hold adversely, or permit any other person to hold adversely, tor the grantor in this conveyance, or its assigns or successors, any iron, coal of other minerals, or right of way, or other thing reserved to the grantor in this conveyance, but will hold everything herein reserved to the grantor, for the grantor, its assigns or successors, and for no other person or purpose whatever.

To have and to hold the said parcel or parcels of land above described into the said--H. A. Ragsdale-- his heirs and assigns forever, but subject to the said reservations herein disclosed.

In testimony whereof, the said The Alabama State Land Company, a corporation, organized

State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared J. B. Abbott, who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is J. B. Abbott and I took possession of the following property:

Short NWA and Nh of Swa of Section 22, Township 20, Range 2 west; and also the surface rights to Eh of SEA and SEA of NEA of Section 21, Township 20, Range 2 west; and Sh of NEA, Nh of SEA and SEA of Swa, Section 22, Township 20, Range 2 west; wh of Section 23;

Wh of NEA and NWA of Swa, Section 23, Township 20, Range 2 west; and NWA of Section 27,

Township 20, Range 2 west, all situated in Shelby County, Alabama,

under lease from the Saginaw Land Company in 1918; that said property was and always has been under fence, and Land remained in quiet and peaceful and continuous possession of said property as tenant of the Saginaw Land Company continuously since 1918; So far as Land know no one has ever claimed or exercised any right or interest in the said property since I tool possession as tenant.

J. B. Abbott Affiant

Subscrined and swotn to before me on this the 14 day of July, 1937.

H.O.Neville, Notary Lublic.

Filed for record in this office July 24th 1937 at 8 AM and recorded in deed record 103, page 101 and examined. L. C. Walker, udge of robate.