

Given under my hand this the 19th day of Dec. A.D., 1904.

C. E. Littlefield

(SEAL)

The State of Alabama, :

Baldwin County. : I, C. E. Littlefield a Notary Public in and for said county and State do hereby certify that on the 19th day of Dec. 1904 came before me the within named Sarah Keller known to me to be the wife of the within named Joseph Keller, who being examined separate and apart from the husband touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraint or threats on the part of the husband.

In Witness Whereof I hereunto set my hand this 19th day of Dec. A.D., 1904.

(SEAL)

C. E. Littlefield

Filed for record Dec. 26th, 1904 at 4:10 P.M.

Recorded December 27th, 1904.

J.H.H. Smith,

Judge of Probate.

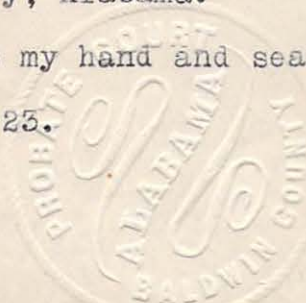
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STATE OF ALABAMA, :

BALDWIN COUNTY. :

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of Record in Deed Book 8 N.S.; at Page 103, now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court this 26th day of May, A.D., 1923.



G. L. Lambert

Judge of Probate, Baldwin County, Alabama.

By

Clerk.

THIS INDENTURE Made the 26th day of April, 1904, between George G. Black and Amelia A. Black, husband and wife, of the first part, and Joseph Keller, Senior, of the second part, WITNESSETH, That the parties of the first part, in consideration of three hundred and fifty Dollars, hereby acknowledged to have been paid the parties of the first part by the party of the second part, do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, all that real property in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, described as follows:

The Southwest quarter of Section Ten(10), Township Seven(7) South, Range Two(2) East, St Stephens, Meridian, containing one hundred and sixty acres, more or less.

TOGETHER with all rights and appurtenances to said described premises in anywise belonging: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same forever.

And George G. Black and Amelia Black for themselves and their heirs, the said described premises and appurtenances, will forever WARRANT AND DEFEND unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, his heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of
H. H. Crow
J. H. Huston.

George G. Black (SEAL)
her
Amelia A. X Black (SEAL)
mark

State of Iowa,)

Warren County.)

I, H. H. Crow, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that George G. Black and Amelia Black, husband and wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the said conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily

on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal, this 26th day of April, 1904.

(Notary Seal)

H. H. Crow, Notary Public.

State of Iowa,)

Warren County.)

I, H. H. Crow, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that on the 26th day of April, 1904, came before me the within named Amelia Black, known to be the wife of the within named George G. Black, who being examined separate and apart from her husband touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord, and without fear, constraint or threats on the part of the husband.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 26th day of April, 1904.

(Notary Seal)

H. H. Crow, Notary Public.

Filed for record May 16th., 1904, at 1.45 P. M.

Recorded May 20th, 1904.

Chas. Hall, Judge of Probate, per W.

State of Alabama,)

Baldwin County.)

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed Book 7 N. S. at page 244 now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court this 26th day of May, 1923.



G. L. Lambert

Judge of Probate, Baldwin County,
Alabama.

Clerk.

This Indenture, Made this 30th day of April One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twelve between Oscar O. Kimmell and Emma M. Kimmell, his wife of the County of Cowley and State of Kansas of the first part, and Thomas S. McCaleb of the County of Baldwin, and State of Alabama of the second part.

Witnesseth, That the parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of Seventeen hundred Sixty(\$1760.00) Dollars, to them duly paid, have sold and by these presents do grant, sell and convey to said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, all that tract or parcel of land, situate in Baldwin County, and State of Alabama, and described as follows, to-wit:

The South-West quarter($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Ten(10), Township Seven (7), Range Two(2) East of St. Stephens Meridian containing one hundred sixty(160) acres more or less.

To have and to hold the same, with all the appurtenances and all the estate, right, title and interest of the said parties of the first part therein. And the said Oscar O. Kimmell and Emma M. Kimmell do hereby covenant and agree that at the delivery thereof they are the lawful owners of the premises above granted and seized of a good and indefeasible estate of inheritance therein, in fee simple, and clear of all incumbrances and that they will Warrant and Defend the same and every part thereof, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever.

In witness Whereof, The said parties of the first part hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Oscar O. Kimmell (SEAL)

Emma M. Kimmell (SEAL)

State of Kansas,)
) ss.
Cowley County.)

On the 30th day of Apr. 1912, before me, a Notary Public within and for said county, personally came Oscar O. Kimmell and Emma M. Kimmell to me personally known to me the identical persons described in, and whose names are affixed to this conveyance as grantors and who duly acknowledged

the execution of the same to be their voluntary act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, the day and year last above written.

(SEAL)

A. H. Denton, Notary Public.

Commission expires Nov. 15" 1914.

Filed for record May 13th 1912,

Recorded May 17th 1912.

J. H. H. Smith, Judge of Probate. Per TPW.

The State of Alabama,)

Baldwin County.)

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed Book 19 N. S. at page 198 now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court this 26th day of May,
A. D., 1923.



G. L. Lambert
Judge of Probate, Baldwin County,
Alabama.

Clerk.

This Indenture, Made the 7th day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and fifty Eight Between George E. Sherwin and wife Caroline K. Sherwin of the first part and F. J. McCoy of the second part,

Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of Nine hundred dollars lawful money of the United States of America, to them in hand paid, by the said party of the second part, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party of the second part, his heirs, executors and administrators forever released and discharged from the same by these presents, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, remised, released, enfeoffed, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, remise, release, enfeoff, convey and confirm to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, All that certain part and parcel of land lying, being and situate in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, known and described as the North half of the Northeast quarter of Section number two, North west quarter of the Northwest quarter Section number One, - the west half of North East quarter of the Northwest quarter, South half of the North East quarter - Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter and the North half of the South West quarter of Section Twelve, - and the South West quarter of Section Ten all in Township Seven, South Range Two East containing Six hundred and one $\frac{3}{100}$ acres being more or less.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, rights, members, privileges and appurtenances unto the above mentioned and described premises belonging or in anywise appertaining.

To have and to hold, the above granted and described premises, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, to the sole and proper use, benefit and behoof of the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever.

And the said parties of the first part for themselves and their heirs, the above described and hereby granted and released premises, and every part and parcel thereof, with the hereditaments and appurtenances,

unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, and against all and every person and persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same, shall and will warrant, and by these presents, forever defend.

In witness whereof, The said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed & delivered in	Geo. E. Sherwin	(Seal)
the presence of	Caroline K. Sherwin	(Seal)
William Brooks.		

The State of Alabama,)
Mobile County.)

I, William Brooks a Justice of the Peace for said County & State, hereby certify that Geo E Sherwin and Caroline K Sherwin his wife whose names are signed to the within conveyance, and who are known to me acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this Seventh day of May A D 1858.

William Brooks
Justice Peace M C

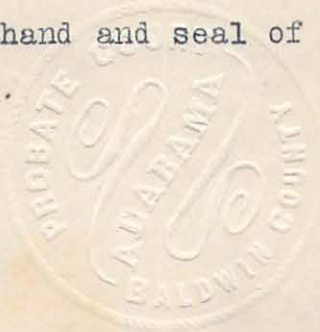
Received in office for record June 21st 1858,
Recorded June 22nd 1858.

C. W. Wilkins, Judge.

State of Alabama, Baldwin County.

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed Book "G" at pages 415-416 now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court this 9th day of March, 1923.



G. L. Lambert

Judge of Probate, Baldwin County, Ala-

bama.
by J. S. Kessler, Clerk

THIS INDENTURE, made this second day of January, A. D., Nineteen hundred and three-1903- between Charles Torrey, as executor of the last will and testament of John Bowen, deceased, late of the City and County of Mobile, and State of Alabama, party of the first part, and George G. Black, of the County of Baldwin, and State of Alabama, party of the second part,

WITNESSETH: Whereas the said John Bowen, deceased, left a last will and testament which was duly admitted to probate by the Probate Court of Mobile County, Alabama, and is of record therein, and is referred to as a part of this deed; and whereas the party of the first part is named therein as executor of said will, and letters have been issued to him as such executor by said Probate Court of Mobile County:

Now, therefore, by virtue of the premises, and in consideration of the sum of Three hundred and twenty dollars-\$320.00- paid to the party of the first part by the party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the party of the first part, as such executor of the last will of John Bowen, deceased, does hereby grant, bargain, sell, and convey to the said party of the second part, and his heirs and assigns forever, all the right, title, and interest which the said John Bowen, deceased, had at the time of his death in and to all and singular the lands situated in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, more particularly described as follows:

The southwest quarter of section ten(10), township seven(7) south, range two(2) east, St Stephens Meridian, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres, more or less:

Together with the tenements, hereditaments, rights, members and privelages unto the above granted and described premises belonging, or in anywise appur^utaining; to have and to hold the above granted and described premises, with the appurtenances, unto the said George G. Black, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In witness whereof the parties hereto _____ have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of

Chas Torrey (SEAL)
As executor of the last will and testament
of John Bowen, deceased.

F. E. Bowker

Howard C. Torrey.

The State of Massachusetts,)
(ss.
Suffolk County.)

I, Francis E. Bowker, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, hereby certify that Charles Torrey, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, as executor of the last will and testament of John Bowen, deceased and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily, on the day the same bears date, as executor of the last will and testament of John Bowen, deceased.

Given under my hand and official seal this 2nd day of January, A. D., 1903.

(SEAL)

Francis E. Bowker

Notary Public, Suffolk Co., Mass.

Filed for record January 13th, 1903, at 3 P. M.

Recorded January 17th, 1903.

Chas Hall, Judge of Probate.

STATE OF ALABAMA,)

BALDWIN COUNTY.)

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed Book 5 N. S. at pages 635 & 636 now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court this 26th day of May, A. D., 1923.

G. L. Lambert

Judge of Probate, Baldwin County, Alabama.

Clerk.



Bay Minette, Ala., April 30th 1925, 192

Hon. S. C. Jenkins, Atty

Bay Minette, Ala.

IN ACCOUNT WITH

W. D. STAPLETON

JUDGE OF PROBATE, BALDWIN COUNTY

Please Return this Bill With Remittance

Mortgage Tax

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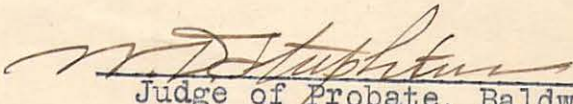
*W. D. Stapleton
Judge Probate*


State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

Probate Court.

I, W. D. Stapleton, Judge of Probate in and for said State and County, and custodian of the Tax Records of said County, hereby certify, that according to said Tax Records, it appears that the South West Quarter of Section 10, Township 7 South, of Range 2 East, was assessed for the Estate of John Bowen, Deceased, by Executor, and taxes paid for the year 1900; that Charles Torrey, Executor, assessed and paid the taxes on said land for the year 1901; that Fred G Bromberg, Atty. for Charles Torrey, Executor, assessed and paid the taxes on said above described land for the year 1902; that Geo. G Black, assessed and paid the taxes on said above described land for the year 1903, and said Geo G Balck also assessed said land for the year 1904, and Tax collector of Baldwin County advertised the same as delinquent, but no decree was rendered against said land for taxes for said year, and no tax sale was made thereof; that Jos. Keller, assessed and paid the taxes on said above described land for the year 1905; that Oscar Kimmell, assessed and paid the taxes on said above described land for the years 1906 to 1912, inclusive; that Thomas S Mc Caleb, assessed and paid the taxes on said above described land for the years 1913 to 1924, inclusive, and that said T S Mc Caleb has assessed said land for the year 1925.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 30th day of April A.D., 1925.


Judge of Probate, Baldwin
County, Alabama.



WARREN W. WORCESTER, |
 Complainant, |
 vs |
 THOMAS N. McCALEB, et al, |
 Respondents. |

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
 COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY.
 No. _____

The undersigned, as solicitors of record for complainant and respondents and cross-respondent and cross-complainants in the above entitled cause, do hereby agree that the depositions, including exhibits of the witnesses for the complainant and cross-respondents, said witnesses being Joseph T. Worcester, William Bailey, Charles M. Nelson and H. H. Parker and R. J. Pierce, as taken before Leila C. Harris, acting as Commissioner as hereinafter set forth, may be introduced in evidence by the complainant and cross-respondents, subject to all legal objections except that the cause was not at issue when said depositions were taken, that commission was not issued for the taking of said depositions and that the depositions were not signed by the respective witnesses and that said depositions were not read by the commissioner to the respective witnesses, the right to make all other legal objections being expressly reserved to respondents and cross-complainants.

Dated this 13th day of August, 1930.

Jesse L. Hogan

 SOLICITOR FOR CROSS-COMPLAINANT.

Gayle M. Mahoney Gaillard

 SOLICITOR FOR V. L. PICKENS.

A. J. Revere

 SOLICITOR FOR WARREN W. WORCESTER,
 ETC.,

WARREN W. WORCESTER, |
 Complainant, |
 vs |
 THOMAS N. McCALEB, et al, |
 Respondents. |

Before me, Leila C. Harris, Commissioner named in the foregoing agreement personally appeared Joseph T. Worcester, William Bailey, Charles M. Nelson, H. H. Parker and R. J. Pierce, who being by me first duly sworn do depose and say as hereinafter stated:

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DEPOSITION OF MR. JOSEPH T. WORCESTER.
Direct Examination by Mr. McMillan.

My name is Joseph T. Worcester, I am 39 years of age, and live at Fairhope. I am a son of ^{W. W.} Worcester, who is dead, and I, and my brother, Warren C. Worcester, who lives in Atlanta, Georgia, are executors of his estate. I know the land involved in this suit. It lies between the Bay of Mobile and Fish River, it is about 12 miles below Daphne and about 12 miles below Belrose. This is wild, pine land, uninclosed, and no improvements on it, and it was uninclosed and without improvements on it when this suit was filed, and there haven't been any indication of any improvements or enclosure on it for a long time before the suit was filed. I looked after the land after my father came into possession of it under the George H. Hoyle will.

Mr. Hogan: I move to exclude that portion of his answer that his father came into possession of it under the Hoyle will, because it calls for the conclusion of the witness, and second, it isn't responsive to the question.

Mr. McCaleb isn't in possession of the land, and has never been in possession of it, to the best of my knowledge. I know the family of William J. Lee, he is dead, and has been dead for a great many years. He left Eliza T. Lee, his widow, Willie Lee, Jr., a son; a daughter, Florence, who married Fred C. Loxley; a daughter, Lila who married Hansbro; a daughter who married Ralph Raymond, and a son, Johnnie.

I haven't any of the original papers or deeds of conveyance to this land. I have looked through my father's papers and my uncle, George H. Hoyle's papers, and everywhere that I can think of, and cannot find them.

The plaintiff offers, and attaches to his answers as "Exhibit A", certified copy of patent to George E. Sherwin, to the East half of Southwest quarter of Section 10, Township 7 South, Range 2 East, dated February first, 1860. *Copy is attached to Deposition and marked exhibit "A"*

The plaintiff offers, and attaches to his answers as "Exhibit B", certified copy of patent to George E. Sherwin, as assignee of Wright Benton to the West half of Southwest quarter, Section 10,

Township 7 South, Range 2 East, dated August 15th, 1860. *Copy is attached to deposition and marked exhibit "B"*

Plaintiff offers, and attaches to his answers as "Exhibit C", certified copy of deed from George E. Sherwin and Caroline K. Sherwin, his wife, to Frank J. McCoy, dated April 7th., 1858, and conveying Southwest quarter of Section 10, Township Seven South, Range 2 East. *Copy is attached to deposition & marked exhibit "C"*.

Plaintiff offers, and attaches to ~~his~~ answers as "Exhibit D" certified copy of deed from Frank J. McCoy to William J. Lea, conveying all those parcels or tracks of land situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, which have been purchased or entered in his name, and all his right, title, interest and claim at law or in equity in or to any or all tracts or parcels of land situated in Baldwin County, which have been heretofore bought or entered by the said Frank J. McCoy and William J. Lea, in their joint names, or in the name of either of them, except the residence of the said Frank J. McCoy, purchased from Stephen M. Potts, as per deed recorded in Book 2, page 492, and a parcel of land situate in the village of Bell Rose, purchased from W.W. McGuire, Administrator, recorded in Book "I", pages 648-649, in the Probate Court.

Mr. Hogan: The respondent objects to the introduction of this deed upon the following separate and several grounds:

- 1st. The description is indefinite.
- 2nd. It does not appear that the deed conveys or purports to convey the land described in this suit.
- 3rd. It does not appear that the grantors were in possession of said land at the time of the execution of said writing.

And move to exclude the document upon the same separate and several grounds. *Copy is attached to deposition and marked exhibit "D"*

Plaintiff offers, severally and separately, the certificates of the officers showing the recordation of such instruments and the book and page where recorded.

Mr. Hogan: I object to the certificate with reference to the deed from Frank J. McCoy to William J. Lea, upon the same grounds made to the introduction of the deed itself, and move to exclude that particular certificate.

Plaintiff offers the affidavit of Mrs. V.O. Lea, dated December

4th., 1917, and recorded December 10th., 1917, in Record Book 26, N.S., page 527, showing the heirships of William J. Lea, Sr., and offers this, as "Exhibit E", in connection with the testimony of the witness.

Mr. Hogan: Respondent objects to the introduction of this affidavit upon the following separate and several grounds, namely:

1st. Said affidavit is illegal, irrelevant and immaterial.

2nd. Said affidavit constitutes hearsay testimony.

3rd. It does not appear that this affidavit was made in connection with this sale or conveyance as the lands described in this suit.

4th. It does not appear in connection with the transfer or sale of what lands said affidavit was made. *Instrument is attached to Deposition and marked exhibit "E."*

Respondent moves to exclude the affidavit upon the same several and separate grounds.

Plaintiff offers certified copy of deed from Fred C. Loxley, et al, to John W. Lea, conveying the Southwest quarter of Section 10, 7 South, 2 East, said deed being dated May 15th., 1906, and recorded in Deed Book 10, N.S., page 644-645, Baldwin County Records, said certified copy being marked "Exhibit F". *Copy is attached to Deposition and marked exhibit "F."*

Mr. Hogan: The respondent objects to the introduction of this instrument upon the following several and separate grounds:

1st. It is illegal, irrelevant and immaterial.

2nd. It does not appear that the grantors had title to the land involved in this suit at the time of the execution of said conveyance.

3rd. It does not appear that the grantors ever had title to the Southwest quarter of Ten, Township Seven South, Range Two East, Baldwin County.

4th. It does not appear that the grantors had either title to or possession of the Southwest quarter of 10, 7 South, 2 East, at the time of the execution of said deed, said Southwest quarter of Section 10, Township 7 South, Range 2 East, was in the adverse possession of another. *Copy is attached to Deposition and marked Exhibit "F"*

Plaintiff offers in evidence certified copy of deed from John W. Lea and wife to George H. Hoyle, conveying the Southwest quarter of Section 10, 7 South, 2 East, dated August 9th., 1906, and recorded in Deed Book 10, N.S., page 694. Said copy being marked "Exhibit G".

Mr. Hogan: The respondent objects to the introduction of this deed upon the same several and separate grounds set out to the introduction of the last preceding deed, and moves to exclude each of the deeds

upon the same several and separate grounds. *Copy is attached to Deposition and marked Exhibit "L"*

Plaintiff offers in evidence certified copy of the will of George H. Hoyle, and decree admitting same to probate, and marks the same "Exhibit H". *Copy is attached to Deposition & marked Exhibit "H"*

Mr. Hogan: The respondent objects to the introduction of this will on the following separate and several grounds:

- 1st. It is illegal, irrelevant and immaterial.
- 2nd. It does not appear that the testator, at the time of his decease, had either title to or possession of the lands described in this suit.
- 3rd. At the time of the death of the testator, the possession of said lands was held adversely by Mrs. B.S. McCaleb. *Copy is attached to deposition and marked Exhibit "H"*

The plaintiff offers in evidence certified copy of a deed from Stephen W. Potts to J. F. McCoy, recorded in Book "H", page 492 and dated June 7th., 1863, and states that this instrument is offered for the purpose of showing that the part excepted from the deed by Frank J. McCoy to William J. Lea, and does not cover the land involved in this suit. Said copy being marked "Exhibit I".

Mr. Hogan: Respondent objects to the introduction of this deed on the grounds:

- 1st. That it is illegal, irrelevant and immaterial.
 - 2nd. It does not appear that this deed affects in any way the land involved in this suit. *Copy is attached to Deposition & marked Exhibit "I"*
- And respondent moves to exclude the said deed on the said separate grounds.

The plaintiff offers in evidence deed from Wesley W. McGuire, Administrator, to F.J. McCoy, conveying certain lands, and recorded in Deed Book "I", page 648, for the same purpose suggested in the offer of the preceding deed, and marks said deed "Exhibit J".

Mr. Hogan: We object to the introduction of this deed upon the same several and separate grounds stated to the introduction of the preceding deed, and move to exclude on the same separate and several grounds. *Copy is attached to Deposition & marked Exhibit "J"*

Witness, continuing: Mr. George H. Hoyle is dead, and has been dead six or seven years. I don't know the exact date.

CROSS EXAMINATION, by MR. HOGAN.

The 1906 storm was on September 26th., 1906, I think.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GENERAL LAND OFFICE

WASHINGTON

JUN 17 1920

I hereby certify that the annexed copy of patent is a true and literal exemplification from the record which is in my custody in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of this office to be affixed, at the city of Washington, on the day and year above written.

J. C. Lamar

Recorder of the General Land Office.

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"Exhibit A"

Graduation
U. S.
CERTIFICATE }
No. 15112.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, E

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas George E. Sherwin, of Mobile County, Alabama,

has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at St. Stephens, whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said

George E. Sherwin, according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the East half of the South West quarter of Section ten, in Township seven South, of Range two East, in the District of Lands subject to sale at St. Stephens, Alabama, containing eighty acres, and fifteen hundredths of an acre.

according to the official plat of the Survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, which said tract has been purchased by the said George E. Sherwin:

NOW KNOW YE, That the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said

George E. Sherwin, and to his heirs, the said tract above described: To have and to hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging, unto the said George E. Sherwin, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony Whereof, I, James Buchanan PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the first day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Sixty and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the Eighty fourth

BY THE PRESIDENT: James Buchanan
By J. C. B. Leonard Secretary.
J. M. Granger Recorder of the General Land Office.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GENERAL LAND OFFICE

WASHINGTON

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I hereby certify that the annexed copy of patent is a true and literal exemplification from the record which is in my custody in this office.

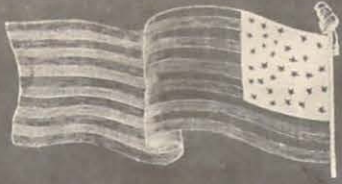
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of this office to be affixed, at the city of Washington, on the day and year above written.

J. C. Lamm
Recorder of the General Land Office.

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"Exhibit B"



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, In pursuance of the Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1855, entitled "An Act in addition to certain Acts granting Bounty Land to certain Officers and Soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States," there has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE, Warrant No. *17776* for *80* acres in favor of *Wright Benton Private, Captain Brigham's Company, Alabama Militia, Florida con*

with evidence that the same has been duly located upon *the West half of the South West quarter of Section ten, in Township seven South, of Range two East, in the District of Lands subject to sale at St Stephens, Alabama, containing eighty acres and fifteen hundredths of an acre*

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of said Lands returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL *the said Warrant having been applied by the said Wright Benton & George E Sherwin in whose favor said tract has been located*

NOW KNOW YE, That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said *George E Sherwin as assignee as aforesaid and to his heirs*

the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said *George E Sherwin as assignee as aforesaid and to his*

heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, *James Buchanan* PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the SEAL OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the *fifteenth* day of *August* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *sixty*, and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the *Eighty fifth*

BY THE PRESIDENT: *James Buchanan*
J. A. Leonard Sec'y.
J. T. Gausman Recorder of the General Land Office.



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This Indenture made the 7th day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, Between George E Sherwin and wife Caroline K Sherwin of the first part and F J McCoy of the second part, Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Nine hundred dollars lawful money of the United States of America, to them in hand paid, by the said party of the second part, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these Presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party of the second part, his heirs, executors and administrators forever released and discharged from the same by these presents, Have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, remised, released, enfeoffed, conveyed and confirmed and by these Presents, Do grant, bargain, sell, alien, remise, release, enfeoff convey and confirm to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, All that certain part and parcel of land lying and being situate in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, known and described as the North half of the NorthEast quarter of Section number Two, North West quarter of the North west quarter Section number One, the West half and the Northeast quarter of the North West quarter, South half of the North East quarter, North west quarter of the Southeast quarter and the North half of the South west quarter of Section twelve and the South west quarter of Section Ten, all in Township Seven South Range Two East, containing six hundred and one $\frac{3}{100}$ acres, being more or less.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, rights members, privileges and appurtenances unto me, the above mentioned and described premises belonging or in any wise appertaining.

To Have and To Hold, the above granted and described premises, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, to the sole and proper use, benefit and behoof of the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever .

And the said parties of the first part for themselves and their heirs, the above described and hereby granted and released Premises, and every part and parcel thereof, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs and against all and every person and persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same shall and will Warrant and by these Presents Defend.

In Witness whereof, the parties oto these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of William Brooks.

Geo. E Sherwin (Seal)
Caroline K Sherwin (Seal)

The State of Alabama)
Mobile County)

I, William Brooks a Justice of the Peace for said County & State, Hereby certify that Geo E Sherwin and Caroline K Sherwin, his wife, whose names are signed to the within conveyance and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents off the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this Seventh day of May, A D 1858.

William Brooks
Justice Peace M C

Received in office for record

June 21st, 1858

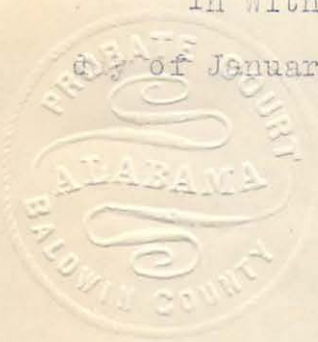
Recorded June 22nd, 1858.

C W Wilkins, Judge.

STATE OF ALABAMA, :
BALDWIN COUNTY. :

I, James M. Voltz, Judge of the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed record "G" at page 415, in the office of Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of January, 1923.



James M. Voltz
Judge of the Probate Court
of Baldwin County, Alabama.

"Exhibit C"

THIS INDENTURE, made the seventeenth day of July, 1873, between Frank J McCoy of the first part and William J Lea, of the second part, Witnesseth, That whereas the said parties have heretofore been engaged in copartnership in the business of milling and getting turpentine in Baldwin County, Alabama, and own lands purchased for said business in said county partly in their ^{joint} just names and partly in the name of the said Frank J McCoy, individually, which lands lie partly between the Bay of Mobile and Fish River, and partly on the East side of Fish River in said county, and are more particularly described in the deeds and certificates made therefor to the said parties jointly, or to the said Frank J McCoy individually, and the said parties have agreed to dissolve said copartnership and discontinue said business. Now in consideration of the premises and of the sum of Four thousand dollars, paid or secured to J Lea to the said Frank J McCoy, he the said Frank be paid by the said William/J McCoy hath given, granted, bargained, sold assigned, released and confirmed, and doth hereby give, grant, bargain, sell, assign, release, and confirm unto the said William J Lea all those parcels or tracts of land situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, which have been purchased or entered in the name of him the said Frank J McCoy individually, and all the right, title, claim and interest of him the said Frank J McCoy, at law or in equity, in or to any or all tracts or parcels of land situate in said county, which have been heretofore bought or entered by the said Frank J McCoy and William J Lea in their joint names, or in the name of either of them, - except the present residence of the said Frank J McCoy, purchased from Stephen M Potts, as per deed on record in Book H page 492 & 493, also one lot or parcel of land situated in the village of Bell Rose purchased from W W McGuire, administrator and recorded in said probate court in Book I, pages 648 & 649, and the east half of section twenty-nine (29) township Five (5) South Range Three (3) East Together with the buildings, distilleries and fixtures thereon, and all the rights, privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging and also all the interest or claim of him the said Frank J McCoy, in or to the chattels and effects of the said copartnership, and all the notes accounts,

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books and credits of said copartnership.

To have and to hold, the said lands and other property and effects to the sole use of him the said William J Lea, his heirs and assigns forever.

And the said Willaim J Lea doth hereby consent and agree with the said Frank J McCoy, that he the said William J Lea will pay all debts due and owing by the said copartnership to any other persons.

In testimony of all which the parties to this indenture has hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

F J McCoy (LS)

W J Lea (LS)

The State of Alabama, |
Baldwin County. |

I, William H Gasque, Judge of the Probate Court of said County hereby certify that Frank J McCoy and William J Lea, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this 17th day of July A.D., 1873.

W H Gasque, Judge of Probate.

The State of Alabama, |
Baldwin County. |

Know all men by these presents, that whereas my husband, Frank J McCoy by a deed bearing date the 17th day of ~~July~~ July 1873, conveyed to William J Lea certain lands lying in the county of Baldwin in the State of Alabama. Now in consideration of the premises therein stated, and the money paid or to be paid to my husband and the sum of ten dollars to ^{me} now paid by said Lea, I F Geraldine McCoy hereby release and convey to said William J Lea and his heirs all my right or title at law or in equity in and to said lands, having heretofore assented to said conveyance.

Witness my hand and seal this sixth day of August, 1873.

F G McCoy (LS)

"Exhibit D."

The State of Alabama, |
Baldwin County |

I, William H Gasque, Judge of Probate Court of said county, hereby certify that F Geraldine McCoy, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this 6th day of August, A.D., 1873.

W H Gasque, Judge of Probate.

Received for record Feby 27th, 1874.

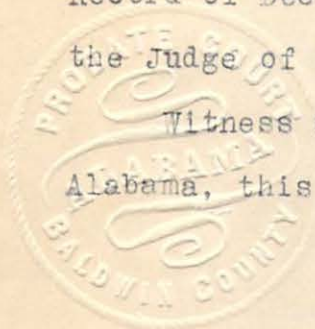
Recorded the 28th day of March, 1874.

W H Gasque, Judge.

The State of Alabama,
Baldwin County.

I, James M Voltz, Judge of Probate, in and for said State and County, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Record of Deeds "K" at pages 41, 42 and 43, now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Probate Court of Baldwin County Alabama, this 2nd day of February, A.D., 1921.



James M. Voltz
Judge of Probate Court.

The State of Alabama)

Mobile County

E. J. W.

) Before me, Maurice Brigance, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared Mrs. V. O. Lea, who is known to me, and who on first being sworn deposes and says that she is the widow of William J. Lea (Jr), whose father, William J. Lea (Sr), was once a partner with Frank J. McCoy in lands and other property in Baldwin County, Alabama; That the said William J. Lea (Sr) died intestate about the year of 1892; and that on May 15th., 1906, the sole heirs at law of the said William J. Lea, Sr., were Florence R. Loxley, Mary Raymond, Lila Hansbrough and John W. Lea, who were the only children of the said William J. Lea, Sr., then living, and Veva A. Lea, daughter of the affiant, only child and sole heir at law of William J. Lea, Jr., deceased. That the said Veva A. Lea has since become the wife of Mr. S. W. Pickens, of Mobile, Ala.

Mrs. V. O. Lea

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of December, 1917.

Maurice Brigance

Notary Public, Mobile County, Alabama.



"Exhibit E"

The State of Alabama)

Mobile County) Before me, Maurice Brigance, a Notary Public in and for
said County, in said State, personally appeared Mrs. V. O. Lea, who is known
to me, and who on first being sworn deposes and says that she is the widow
of William J. Lea (Jr), whose father, William J. Lea (Sr), was once a partner
with Frank J. McCoy in lands and other property in Baldwin County, Alabama;
That the said William J. Lea (Sr) died intestate about the year of 1892; and
that on May 15th., 1906, the sole heirs at law of the said William J. Lea, Sr.,
were Florence R. Loxley, Mary Raymond, Lila Hansbrough and John W. Lea, who
were the only children of the said William J. Lea, Sr., then living, and
Veva A. Lea, daughter of the affiant, only child and sole heir at law of
William J. Lea, Jr., deceased. That the said Veva A. Lea has since become
the wife of Mr. S. W. Pickens, of Mobile, Ala.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of December, 1917.

Maurice Brigance
Notary Public, Mobile County, Alabama.

"Exhibit E"

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This deed, made the 15th day of May, 1906, between Eliza T Lea, widow of William J Lea, deceased, Florence R Loxley and Fred Loxley, her husband, Mary Raymond and Ralph Raymond, her husband, and Lila Hansbrough and M Hansbrough, her husband, heirs at law of William J Lea, deceased, joined by their husbands, parties of the first part, and John W Lea, party of the second part, Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of One dollar to each in hand paid by the party of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have remise, released and quit claimed, and by these presents do remise, release and forever quit-claim unto the said John W Lea, his heirs and assigns, all that real property in Baldwin County, Alabama, described as follows, to-wit:

The South west quarter of section ten (10) township seven (7) south, range two (2) east; also the east half of south east quarter and south west quarter of south east quarter of section thirteen (13) and west half of north east quarter south east quarter of north east quarter and south west quarter of south east quarter of section twenty four in township eight (8) south, range three (3) east, also any and all other lands in said County of Baldwin, lying south of township five conveyed to Wm. J Lea by F J McCoy and wife in August 1873 as paer deed recorded in book "K" pp 41 & 42 of the records of said county.

To have and to hold unto the said John W Lea, his heirs and assigns forever.

In witness whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

✓	Fred C Loxley	(Seal) ✓
✓	Florence R Loxley -	(Seal) ✓
✓	Lila Hansbrough -	(Seal) ✓
✓	Eliza T Lea -	(Seal) ✓
	M Hansbrough	(Seal) ✓
✓	Ralph Raymond	(Seal) ✓
✓	→ Mary Raymond -	(Seal) ✓

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The State of Florida
County of Franklin.. I, John P Lovett, a Notary public in and for said county in said state, hereby certify that Fred C Loxley and Florence R Loxley, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and

who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal, this 9 day of June, 1906.

John P Lovett, Notary Public

(Seal)

Franklin County.

Commission expires 1/27/09

State of Florida

County of Hillsborough.

I, T A Chancellor, a Notary Public in and for said county, in said state, hereby certify that Ralph Raymond, and Mary Raymond, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal, this 28th day of July, 1906.

T A Chancellor, Notary Public

(Seal)

State of Florida at Large.

My Commission expires April 13th
1908.

State of Alabama

County of Colbert.

I, James S Murdoch, a Notary public in and for said county, in said state, hereby certify that Lila Hansbrough & her husband M Hansbrough & Eliza Lea, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal, this 15th day of June, 1906.

James Murdoch, Notary Public

Colbert County, State of Alabama

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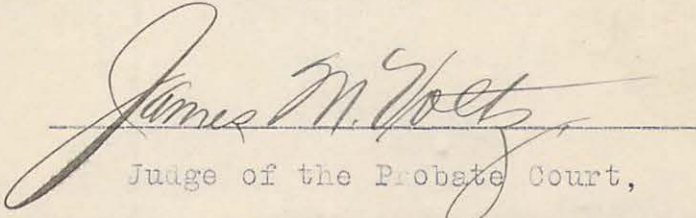
J H H Smith, Judge of Probate.

STATE OF ALABAMA, :
:
BALDWIN COUNTY. :

I, James M. Voltz, Judge of the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed record No. 10 NS, at pages 664-65, in the office of Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of January, 1923.





Judge of the Probate Court,
of Baldwin County, Alabama.

"Exhibit J."

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This deed, Made the 9th day of August, 1906, between John W Lea and Z K Lea, his wife, parties of the first part, and George H Hoyle, party of the second part, Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of fifty & no/100 dollars and other valuable considerations to them in hand paid by the party of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have remised, released and quit-claimed, and by these presents do remise, release and quit-claim unto the said George H Hoyle, his heirs and assigns forever, all that real property in Baldwin County, Alabama, described as follows, to-wit: -

The east half of the south east quarter and the south west quarter of section thirteen (13); the west half of the north east quarter, south east quarter of north east quarter and south west quarter of south east quarter of section twenty-four (24) all in township eight (8) south of range three (3) east; also the south west quarter of section ten (10) in township seven (7) south of range two (2) east; also any other land in said county formerly owned by F J McCoy and I H Benners, or either, south of township five and not conveyed by F J McCoy prior to the deed to W J Lea, July 17, 1873, recorded in book K. pp 41, etc. To have and to hold.

In Witness whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Witness: Mrs John W Lea (Seal)
J W Lea

[Handwritten signature]

The State of Alabama
Baldwin County.

I, Cyrus L Sibley, a Notary Public in and for said county, in said state, hereby certify that John W Lea and Z K Lea, his wife, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this 10th day of August, 1906.
Cyrus Sibley, Notary Public
Baldwin County, Alabama.

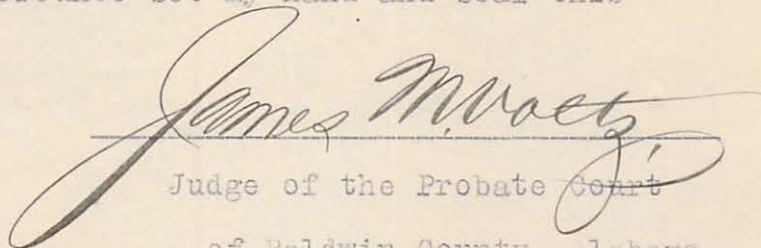
Filed for Record Sept 1st, 1906.
Recorded Sept 17th, 1906
J H H Smith, Judge of Probate.

STATE OF ALABAMA, :

BALDWIN COUNTY. :

I, James M. Voltz, Judge of the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed record No. 10 NS, at page 694, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of January, 1923.


Judge of the Probate Court
of Baldwin County, Alabama.



"Exhibit G"

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)
BALDWIN COUNTY.)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I, George H Hoyle, of Baldwin county, Alabama, being of sound mind and memory, but mindful of the uncertainties of life, do make, publish and declare this instrument in writing as and for my last will and testament.

FIRST,- I desire all my just debts be paid out of the proceeds from my life insurance in the New Youk Life Insurance Company, amounting to \$2,300.00 in three policies; but such payment is not to include any mortgage debt, nor money due my wife, which she loaned to me.

SECOND,- I will and bequeath to my said wife all of the balance from said Insurance policies; also my home place and all other real estate owned by me in Township Six South, of Range One East and Two East, in Baldwin County, Alabama, except the small family grave yard. I also bequeath to my said wife all other personal property owned by me, to be used or disposed of by her for her maintenance.

THIRD,- I will and bequeath to my brother, W W Worcester, the family grave yard in Sec. 24, Tp 6 S, R 1 E, and all other real estate which I may own in Baldwin County, Alabama, outside of Township Six South, of Range Two East and Township Six South, of Range One East, and he is to assume and pay off any and all mortgage debts made by me.

FOURTH,- In the event that I should outlive my wife, I will and bequeath to my said brother all the property she would have acquired under this will; and, in such event he is charged hereby to pay my step-daughter, Daisy D. Parker, the sum of One Thousand Dollars.

FIFTH,- I will and bequeath to my niece, Ethel H McMillan, the sum of Five Hundred dollars, I also will and bequeath to Alexander C. Davis, should he be living at my death, the sum of Five Hundred Dollars.

SIXTH,- It is my will that my said wife shall be provided for as long as she lives; that in addition to what is allotted to her herein she shall be repaid out of proceeds from my estate all moneys

loaned by her to me, as shown by my books. She is authorized to sell and dispose of all property bequeathed to her and do with the proceeds as she sees fit. But if she should not realize sufficiently from the sales of said property, W W Worcester is charged to supplement her income to make it equal Fifty Dollars per month as long as she lives; and at her death all property bequeathed to her in the second item hereof, not disposed of for her maintenance or enjoyment, shall revert to W. W. Worcester.

SEVENTH,- I appoint my brother, Warren W. Worcester, executor of this my last will, and he shall not be required to give bond. In case of his death or disability, I name Joseph O Worcester as his successor or substitute.

WITNESS MY HAND, this day of September, 1918.

GEORGE H. HOYLE,

We, the undersigned, at the request of and in the presence of the above named George H Hoyle, subscribed our names as witnesses hereto in his presence, as witnesses hereof, and in the presence of each other, this day of September, 1918.

CHAS M. NELSON,

MARY A. NELSON.

Filed in office of Judge of Probate Court, Baldwin Co., Ala., July 29th, 1919.

Jas. M. Voltz, Judge of Probate,

By J L Kessler, Clerk.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)
BALDWIN COUNTY.) ss.

I, James M Voltz, Judge of Probate for Baldwin County, Alabama, hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day in said Court, and before me as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the genuine last Will and Testament of George H Hoyle, Deceased, and that said Will, together with the proof thereof, has been duly recorded in my office in Book "C" of Wills, at pages 90 and 91.

Witness my hand and seal this 20th day of August, A.D., 1919.

(seal)

JAMES M. VOLTZ,
Judge of Probate.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)
BALDWIN COUNTY.)

I, W D Stapleton, Judge of Probate in and for said State and County, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Will Book "C" at page 90 and 91, now on file in the office of Judge of Probate, Baldwin County, Ala.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Probate Court this 4th day of February A.D., 1926.



W. D. Stapleton

Judge of Probate.

by J. S. Kessler Clerk

"Exhibit H."

ESTATE OF GEORGE H HOYLE,)
Deceased.) Probate Court, Baldwin county, Ala.
August 20th, 1919.

In the matter of the petition to probate the Last Will and Testament of said decedent.

On the 29th day of July A.D., 1919, Warren W. Worcester, filed in this Court, his petition in writing, duly verified by his oath, praying the court to admit to probate and record, as and for the last Will and Testament of George H Hoyle, Deceased, an instrument in writing that purports to be his last will and testament, and which was filed in this Court with the petition in this case; and thereupon the Court appointed the 20th day of August A.D., 1919, for the hearing of said petition and on the same day notice of the filing of the petition in this case and of the day appointed by the court for the hearing of the same, was issued out of this Court to Mrs Evie D Hoyle, widow of said decedent, who resides at Battles Wharf, this county, and to Mrs Ethel H McMillan, of Prichard, Alabama, who are the only heirs at law of said decedent. And it being shown to the satisfaction of the court that the heirs at law of said George H Hoyle, Deceased have been given notice of the filing of the petition in this case, as required by law; and the Court does now hear said petition.

And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by the testimony of Chas M. Nelson and Mary A Nelson, witnesses examined in open Court, that in September, 1918, at or near Battles Wharf in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the presence of Chas M Nelson and said Mary A Nelson, the said decedent did sign his name in writing to the instrument in writing that purports to be his last will and testament, and which was propounded for probate and record in this Court on the 29th day of July A.D., 1919; and that at the time of the signing of the same the said George H Hoyle was over the age of twenty one years and of sound mind, and that he signed said instrument as and for his last will and testament; and that at the time and place of signing, said Chas. M. Nelson and Mary A. Nelson, did sign their names to said

instrument in writing as attesting witnesses thereto, at the request of the said George H Hoyle, and in the presence of each other and in his presence; and that the said George H Hoyle died on or about the 18th day of July A.D., 1919, and that he was an inhabitant of the county of Baldwin, State of Alabama, at the time of his death.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court, that the petition in this cause be and the same is hereby granted and that the instrument in writing which was propounded for probate and record on the 29th day of July A.D., 1919, which purports to be the last will and testament of said George H Hoyle, Deceased; be and is hereby admitted to probate and record in this court as and for the last will and testament of said George H Hoyle, Deceased. It is further ordered that the last will and testament of said George H Hoyle, Deceased, with the proof thereof, be recorded in Book "C" of Wills in the Probate Office of said County of Baldwin.

Jas. M. Voltz,
Judge of Probate.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)
Baldwin County.)

I, W D Stapleton, Judge of Probate in and for said State and County, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of the Order of the Court admitting to record the Will of George H Hoyle, Deceased, as the same appears of record in Probate Minutes H at Page 455, 456, Baldwin County Records.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Probate Court this 4th day of February A.D., 1926.



W. D. Stapleton
Judge of Probate.
by J. S. Kessler Clerk

STATE OF ALABAMA, ;
BALDWIN COUNTY. ; PROBATE COURT.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at a regular term of the Court of Probate, held in and for said State and County, on the Second Monday in August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, it being the 11th day of said month, Present: Jas. M. Voltz, Judge of Probate, and transacted the following business,

to-wit:

Estate of George H. Hoyle, : Probate Court, Baldwin County, Ala.,

Deceased. : August 20th, 1919.

In the matter of the petition to probate the last will and testament of said decedent.

On the 29th day of July, A.D., 1919, Warren W. Worcester, filed in this Court, his petition in writing, duly verified by his oath, praying the Court to admit to probate and record, as and for the last will and testament of George H. Hoyle, deceased, an instrument in writing that purports to be his last will and testament, and which was filed in this Court with the petition in this case; and thereupon the Court appointed the 20th day of August, A.D., 1919, for the hearing of said petition and on the same day notice of the filing of the petition in this case and of the day appointed by the Court for the hearing of the same, was issued out of this Court to Mrs. Evie D. Hoyle, widow of said decedent, who resides at Battles Wharf, this county and to Mrs. Ethel H. McMillan of Prichard, Alabama, who are the only heirs at law of said decedent. And it being shown to the satisfaction of the Court that the heirs at law of said George H. Hoyle, Deceased, have been given notice of the filing of the petition in this case, as required by law; and the Court does now hear said petition.

And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by the testimony of Chas. M. Nelson and Mary A. Nelson, witnesses examined in open Court, that in September, 1918, at or near Battles Wharf in Baldwin County, Alabama, in the presence of Chas. M. Nelson and said Mary A. Nelson, the said decedent did sign his name in writing to the instrument in writing that purports to be the last will and testament, and which was propounded for probate and record in this Court on the 29th day of July, A. D. , 1919; and that at the time of the signing of the same the said George H. Hoyle was over the age of

twenty-one years and of sound mind, and that he signed said instrument as and for his last will and testament; and that at the time and place of signing, said Chas. M. Nelson and Mary A. Nelson, did sign their names to said instrument in writing as attesting witnesses thereto, at the request of the said George H. Hoyle, and in the presence of each other and in his presence; and that the said George H. Hoyle died on or about the 18th day of July A.D., 1919, and that he was an inhabitant of the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, at the time of his death.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court, that the petition in this cause be and the same is hereby granted and that the instrument in writing which was propounded for probate and record on the 29th day of July A.D., 1919, which purports to be the last will and testament of said George H. Hoyle, Deceased; and that it be and is hereby admitted to probate and record in this Court as and for the last will and testament of said George H. Hoyle, Deceased. It is further ordered that the last will and testament of said George H. Hoyle, Deceased, with the proof thereof, be recorded in Book C of Wills in the Probate office of said County of Baldwin.

Jas. M. Voltz,

Judge of Probate.

Probate Court adjourned September 6th, 1919, sine die.

Jas. M. Voltz,

Judge of Probate.

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STATE OF ALABAMA, :

BALDWIN COUNTY. :

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate, for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an order to probate the will of George H. Hoyle, Deceased, as the same appears of Record in Probate Minutes "H", at Pages 455 & 456, now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court this 28th day of May, A.D., 1923.



G. L. Lambert

Judge of Probate, Baldwin
County, Alabama.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,;
BALDWIN COUNTY. : Probate Court.

The Will of George H. Hoyle of the said county, having been duly admitted to record, in said County, Letters Testamentary are hereby granted to Warren W. Worcester, the executor named in said will, who has complied with the requisitions of the law, and is authorized to take upon himself the execution of such will.

Dated this 23rd day of August, A.D., 1919.

Jas. M. Voltz,
Judge of Probate.

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STATE OF ALABAMA,;
BALDWIN COUNTY. :

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate, for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of Letters Testamentary issued to Warren W. Worcester on the Estate of George H. Hoyle, as the same appears of record in Probate Record "I", at Page 151, now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court this 28th day of May, A.D., 1923.



G. L. Lambert

Judge of Probate, Baldwin
County, Alabama.

STATE OF ALA.)
MOBILE CO.)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I, Stephen W. Potts of the first part, in behalf of myself and wife Susan T. Potts, do bargain, grant and sell. and by these presents convey unto Mrs. Geraldine McCoy, wife of F. J. McCoy, all of Baldwin Co. State of Ala. for the sum of Six Thousand Dollars, to me in hand paid, the following property, lying and being in Baldwin Co. Ala. on the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay, to-wit: The lot formerly owned by James I. Adams, dec'd bounded on the South by lot formerly owned by Daniel Walker(now J. C. Gwin) East by the section line between Sections Nineteen & twenty of Township Five South, of Range Two east, North by a lot of Thomas Short and West by Mobile Bay, being the same on which the aforesaid F. J. McCoy now resides, together with all the rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging.

To have and to hold the said lot and appurtenances, to the use of said Mrs. Geraldine McCoy and heirs and assigns forever. and we furthermore warrant the title to aforesaid lot, against the claim of all parties whatever.

In testimony whereof we hereunto set our hands and seals this 17th June 1863.

Witness:	S. M. Potts	(SEAL)
W. L. Baker	S. T. Potts	(SEAL)
E. M. Baker.		

Mobile 8 Nov. 1864.

STATE OF ALABAMA)
MOBILE COUNTY.)

I certify, that the within signatures, of the signers to the deed and the witnesses to the same, were made in my presence on the day named,- and were made by the parties themselves, who are personally known to me.

Witness my hand and seal Notarial.

(SEAL)

Wm. L. Baker
Notary Public.

Exhibit J

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)

MOBILE COUNTY.)

I, James Bond, Notary Public for said County duly commissioned and qualified according law, do hereby certify that William L. Baker a subscribing witness to the foregoing conveyance, known to me, appeared before me this day, and being sworn stated, that Stephen M Potts and Susan T. Potts his wife, the grantors in the conveyance, voluntarily executed the same, in his presence, and in the presence of the other subscribing witness, on the day the same bears date, that he attested the same in the presence of the grantors and of the other witness, and that such other witness subscribed his name as a witness in his presence.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this twelfth day of November A. D. 1864.

(SEAL)

James Bond

Notary Public.

Received for record 7th December 1864.

Recorded 8th December 1864.

C. W. Wilkins

Judge of Probate.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,)

BALDWIN COUNTY.)

I, G. L. Lambert, Judge of Probate for said County and State, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of an instrument of writing as the same appears of record in Deed Book "H", at pages 492 & 493 now on file in the office of the Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, Alabama.

Witness my hand and seal of the Probate Court, this 28th day of May, A. D. 1923.



G. L. Lambert

Judge of Probate, Baldwin County,
Alabama.

"Exhibit I"

Be it Known That Zophar Mills and Eliza Mills his wife of the City of New York, State of New York, for and in consideration of the sum of Thirty five hundred Dollars in lawful money of the United States to the said Zophar Mills paid in hand by John Bowen of the County of Mobile, Alabama, at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have remised, quit-claimed, released and conveyed and forever by these presents, remise, quit-claim, release and convey unto the said John Bowen in full and actual possession now being, and to his heirs and assigns forever all and singular the Estate, right, title, interest, use, trust property claim and demand whatever, at law as well as in Equity, in possession as well as in expectancy of, in, to or out of, all and singular the following described tracts and parcels of land situate in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama severally as follows, to wit:

All that body of land known as the "Grist Fish River Land" containing about Seven Thousand Eight hundred acres, more or less, and covering in whole or in part all of Sections Three (3) Four (4) Nine (9) Ten (10) Eleven (11) Fourteen (14) Fifteen (15) Sixteen (16) Twenty (20) Twenty one (21) Twenty two (22) Twenty Three (23) and Twenty seven (27) in Township Seven (7) South of Range Two (2) East, and for the further and more particular description of said lands, their location and acerage, Special reference is hereby made to such original deeds whereby H. & J. R. Grist, Theo J. Hughes or either of them, individually or as partners may ever have become purchasers of any land within the aforesaid Sections & Townships: it being within the present conveyance that all of said lands are and be included in the present deed, as the same were conveyed to the present Vendor, Zophar Mills by Isaac W. Hughes by deed of May 3rd, 1873, duly recorded in Baldwin County, May 29th, 1873, in Book J ppges 705, 706, 707 and which same lands had been conveyed to Isaac W. Hughes by deed from the Register and Master in Chancery of the First District of the Southern Chancery Division of the State of Alabama sitting at Mobile (Ala) in execution of a certain

decree of foreclosure rendered by said Chancery Court in a case where-
in Isaac W. Hughes was the complainant and James R. Grist, Benjamin
Grist and Theodore J. Hughes were defendants said decree bearing date
the Fourth Monday in June 1870 and the Sale & conveyance made in pur-
suance of said decree bearing date October 18th, 1870 and being duly
recorded in Baldwin Co., Alabama March 31st, 1874 in Book K, pages
45, 46, 47. The said sale, made in said case, No. 2997 of the Docket
of said Chancery Court, having been duly confirmed by said Court on
the 3rd day of February 1871. Provided, however, that the following
lands, alienated previous to the conveyance to Zophar Mills are not
to be held included in this conveyance, to wit:

The N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ & The NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of The NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, Township
7, S. Range 2 E. - The SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 22, Same Township & Range
and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 27, same Township & Range.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said released premises unto the said
John Bowen, his heirs and assigns to his own proper use, benefit and
behoof forever, so that, neither the said Zophar Mills and Eliza Mills
his wife, their heirs or assigns, nor any other person or persons in
trust for them or either of them or in their names or in the right
and stead of any of them, shall or will, can or may by any ways or
means whatsoever, hereafter have, claim, challenge, or demand any
right, title, interest or estate in, to or out of the above conveyed
premises but that the said Zophar Mills and Eliza Mills, his wife, their
several heirs and assigns shall be forever excluded and debarred from
all right, title, interest or estate whatever in and to said conveyed
premises.

In Witness whereof the said Zophar Mills and Eliza Mills his
wife have hereunto set their hands and seals on this Thirty First day
of December in the year of our Lord Eight~~een~~ Hundred and Eighty-one.

Zophar Mills (LS)

Eliza Mills (LS)