

In the mortgage instrument below, Austin Groves and his wife on February 25 of 1875 borrow \$75 from Thomas Jamar against all of the cotton and corn crops and other personal property that Austin has on the "Lewis Plantation". That would be the land of Meriwether Anderson Lewis, which was located at the south end of the International Airport runways today.

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Austin Groves
Wife
Thomas Jamar

State of Alabama Madison County
 Whereas Austin Groves of Madison County, Alabama
 is justly indebted to Thomas Jamar of Madison
 County, Alabama, in the sum of seventy five
 Dollars payable on the first day of November A.D. 1875, as is evi-
 denced by the promissory note of said Austin Groves of even date herewith.
 And whereas the said Austin Groves desires of assuming
 the present payment of said indebtedness, when it falls due, then
 therefore the said Austin Groves in consideration of the prom-
 ises and the further sum of ten Dollars, to in hand paid by the
 said Thomas Jamar the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,
 do, by their presents, Grant, bargain, sell and convey abso-
 lutely to the said Thomas Jamar, the following personal prop-
erty, belonging to the said Austin Groves, all of my cotton
and my corn crop and all other crops that I may raise on
the Lewis plantation in the year 1875, viz of said
plantation in this mortgage of said homestead
 for the purpose of making it valid, in accordance with
 an Act of the Legislature of the State of Alabama, ap-
 proved March 17, 1873, and entitled the Act to regulate
 property exempted from sale for the payment of debts, To
 have and to hold said property to the said Thomas Jamar
 his heirs and assigns forever, In trust however, that the
 said Thomas Jamar, of the said indebtedness, or any part
 thereof remains due and unpaid after the same falls
 due, is hereby authorized to take possession of said prop-
 erty and make sale thereof at public outcry to the highest
 bidder, for cash at Green Groves in said Madison County,
 Alabama, within the legal house of sale, having first po-
 sessed ten days notice of the time, place and terms of sale of
 said personal property, by written or printed posters, posted
 up in three conspicuous places in said County, Ala-
 bama, and having first given thirty days notice of the
 time, place and terms of sale, of said real estate,