

premises unto the said Thomas & George Fearn and Howell & Patteson their heirs and assigns from and against him the said John W Looney and all and every person or persons claiming or holding under him and all and every person or persons whomsoever claiming or holding by from or under the Government of the United States. In testimony whereof the said John W Looney hath hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year above written.
Signed sealed & delivered
in presence of

John W Looney (seal)

Before me Richard B Purdom Clerk of the County Court of Madison County in the State of Alabama this day personally appeared John W Looney and acknowledged that he had signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Deed to the aforesaid Thomas Fearn George Fearn Alfred Howell and Thomas Patteson on the day of its date. Given under my hand and seal at Huntsville this twenty first day of November eighteen hundred and thirty four.

Rich B Purdom (seal)

Before me Richard B Purdom Clerk of the County Court of Madison County in the State of Alabama this day personally appeared Nancy Looney wife of John W Looney who being by me examined separate and apart from her said husband acknowledged that she relinquished her right of Dower in the lands tenements &c in the foregoing Deed described to the aforesaid Thomas Fearn and George Fearn partners trading under the name firm and Style of Thomas & George Fearn and Alfred Howell and Thomas Patteson partners trading under the name Style and firm of Howell & Patteson and that she had done so freely voluntarily without any fear threat or compulsion of her said Husband. Given under my hand and seal at office in Huntsville this twenty third day of January eighteen hundred and thirty five.

Rich B Purdom Clerk C C

The foregoing Deed was delivered into the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Madison County in the State of Alabama for registration on the twenty third day of January eighteen hundred and thirty five and was duly registered on the twelfth day of February eighteen hundred and thirty five.

Rich B Purdom Clerk C C

Other than the land transactions and census records of 1830 and 1840, very little is known of Alfred Howell and his family from local data. What is known from the census data is that in 1830 his family was recorded as being comprised of one male age 30 – 40 (Alfred himself), two females age 0 – 5, one female age 10 – 15, and one female age 30 – 40 (Alfred's wife Sarah G. Howell). They lived in Township 5 in 1830, which only indicates that they were in the general area around the cemetery, but definitely living in the southern portion of the county.

The 1840 census shows the Howell family still in the southern portion of the county, but a list of their neighbors on the census page indicates that they