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1) Article of agreement made, & entered into, this the 19th day of December 1871, by & between the Mayor & Aldermen of the City of Huntsville, of the one part, & Orville Hundley of the other part, witness that hitherto said Hundley, submitted to said Mayor & Aldermen a written proposition, dated on the 25th day of December 1871, which is now on file in the Mayor's office in said City & which for greater certainty, is now here referred to, by public proposition, said Hundley on his part agreed to pay to said Mayor & Aldermen Five hundred dollars for a lot in said City lying in the corner formed by the crossing of Jefferson & Clinton Streets, west of the first and south of the second, occupying one hundred feet west and sixty feet South of said corner, and to build on said lot a strong elegant & Commodious Hall, & have the same completed & opened for Public amusement, by the first day of November eighteen hundred & seventy two

To erect a building thereon, the first story of which shall be twelve feet high, & the second story including, said Hall not to be less than thirty feet high & all the work done in good style and the Hall to be well furnished

The roof of said building shall be a self supporting, roof. The ceiling of the Hall shall be beautifully worked and finished, and the

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2) Hall, shall be lighted with gas. To meet in said Hall is a part thereof a large Gallery supported by small columns the ceiling of the Hall to be not less than thirty feet high. The floor of the Hall to be carpeting or Mat. as said Hundley may hereafter decide. The seats in said Hall, shall be movable & portable. The building shall be by outside measurement One hundred feet long by sixty feet wide the walls thereof shall be thick stout walls made of brick & mortar. There shall be two great entrances on Jefferson Street. Each of which shall be six feet wide, and the doors to which, to be hung & swing on the back on the outside. The Hall in the inside measurement shall be as large, as can be made, after allowing & taking off the space necessary for the walls and stair ways, leading from the streets to the Hall. There shall be a stair way leading from Clinton Street to the Hall, this shall be five feet wide and the door being on the outside. All the Mayor & Aldermen, shall hereafter advise and determine to take these said Hundley, agree to suit to them at the usual and current seating rates of seat, one room twenty by forty feet & two rooms ten by twenty feet or one room twenty by twenty feet all on

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the first floor and at the west end of the building, & to front on Clinton Street

He further proposes to have the five hundred dollars to be paid for the lot entered as a credit ~~to~~ ⁱⁿ ~~note or bond,~~ made by said Mayor & Aldermen to Mary E. Hundley

He further proposes that, if said Hall should hereafter be destroyed by any means, and a longer period than eight months thereafter should elapse, without the erection and completion of a Hall on said lot, said lot in that case should revert back to said Mayor & Aldermen, upon their refusing to have said five hundred dollars, without interest

He further proposes that in the completion of said Hall, to satisfy the said Mayor & Aldermen of the fact, who therefore should appoint a committee to inspect said Hall, and ascertain whether said Hall is completed according to Contract.

And he proposed to give said Mayor & Aldermen, a bond with satisfactory security, for the faithful erection and completion of the work

And afterward said Mayor & Aldermen adopted an Ordinance, dated 6th day of December, 1871, which for greater certainty is here now referred to, as a part hereof—

By which they accepted said proposition

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4) So made and ~~returned~~ submitted by said Hundley, and appointed a committee to carry out said contract, and authorized the Mayor in behalf of said Mayor & Aldermen to sign said contract & in part execution of the same to execute to said Hundley a deed for said lot of land. Now for and in consideration that said Mayor & Aldermen shall execute this contract & shall as a part thereof execute to said Hundley a deed for said lot of land, said Hundley doth promise & agree covenant & bind himself that he will in good faith cause the building with the Hall herein ^{before} fully described to be erected & completed according to above plan, specifications & description, on the above described lot of land, by the first day of November 1872, and doth further covenant & agree that if said Hall should at any time be destroyed and a longer period than ninety days after said destruction should elapse without the erection & completion of a Hall on said lot, the said lot shall revert to the said Mayor & Aldermen, on the payment by them of said Two Hundred dollars, without interest, and he further binds himself to execute to said Mayor & Aldermen a bond in the sum of

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5) Eight thousand dollars, —
with satisfactory security conditioned
to have said Ball erected & for the
faithful execution and ~~Completion~~ ^{Completion} of
said work. And has agreed to pay
said Mayor & Aldermen Five thousand
dollars and to have the same entered as a
Credit on their bond or note to Mary E. Hundley
in consideration of the payment of ^{the sum of} Five
thousand to them, and of the several covenants
and agreements of said Hundley to erect
& complete on said lot the Ball as
above described, said Mayor & Aldermen
do agree & covenant to execute to said
Hundley a deed for said lot with a
~~condition~~ ^{condition} that if he does not erect &
complete said Ball on said lot, as above
agreed, he shall do, that said lot revert
to them & with the further ^{condition} that
if said Ball should be destroyed by longer
period than eighteen months thereafter
shall elapse, without the erection or completion
of a Ball on said lot, that said lot
should revert to them. And that said
Hundley hath this day executed his bond
with J. C. Steele & L. P. Sullivan —
as his securities in the sum of eight thousand
dollars with the condition as herein before described
And said Mayor & Aldermen have this day
executed a deed to Hundley for said lot

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Hundley, Mary E.

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Steele, James C.

Sullivan, L. P.

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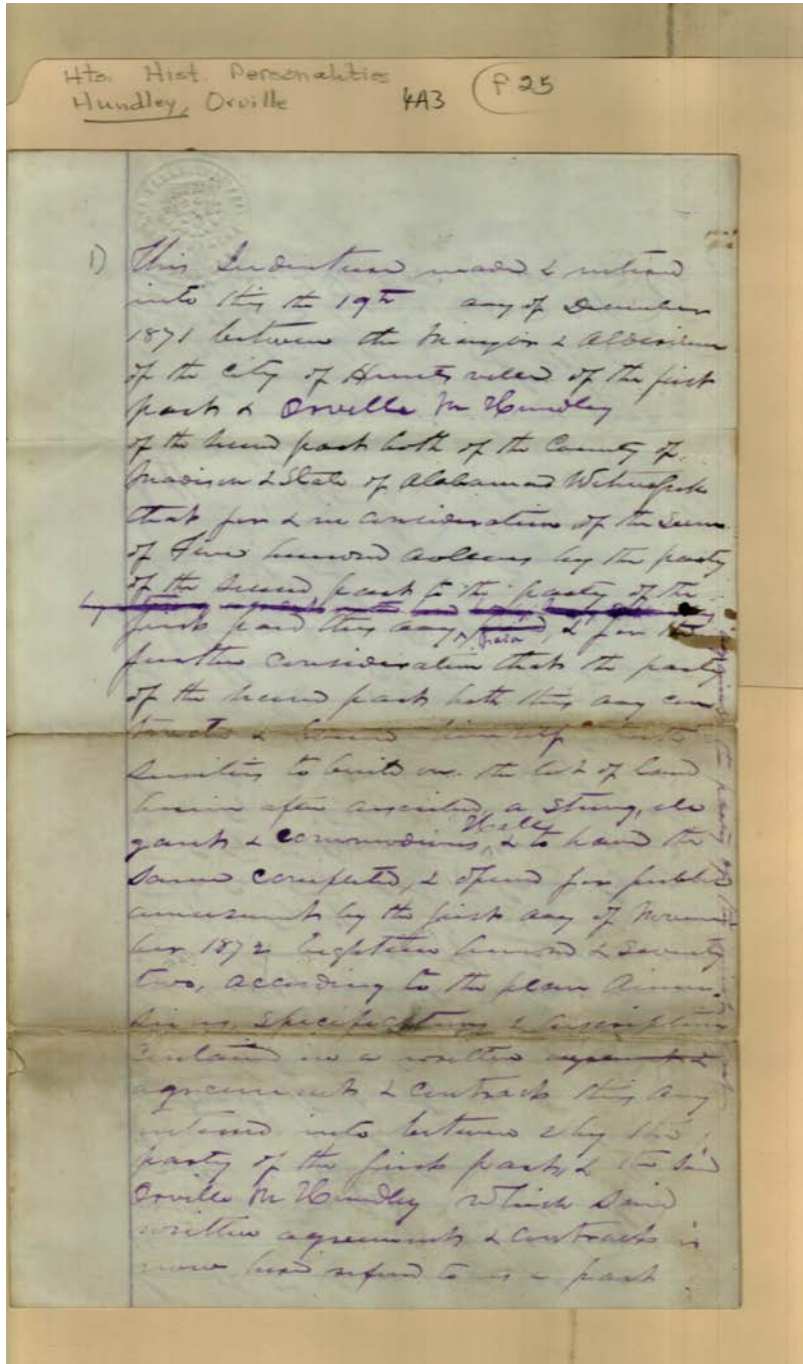
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2) In witness wherefore, please
Aimonsius Specifications &
Inscriptions of said Deed, said
written Contract said deed, & this
and being parts of one entire
Contract, the party of the first
part both they have bargained &
sold, and conveyed & warranted, &
by these presents do bargain &
sell, alien, convey & warrant, unto
the party of the second part, all
that certain lot of land lying in
the City of Huntsville in said
County & State described as follows
to wit: A certain lot of land
lying in said City of Huntsville
& in the corner formed by the crossing
of Jefferson & Clinton Streets, West
of Jefferson & South of Clinton, and
beginning from said Corner West
along Clinton Street one hundred
feet, & from said Corner along
Jefferson Street South fifty feet
thence Westwardly at right angles
one hundred feet, thence North-
wardly at right angles fifty feet
to Clinton Street. To this being the
lot of land herein before referred to
To Have, & To Hold the above lot of

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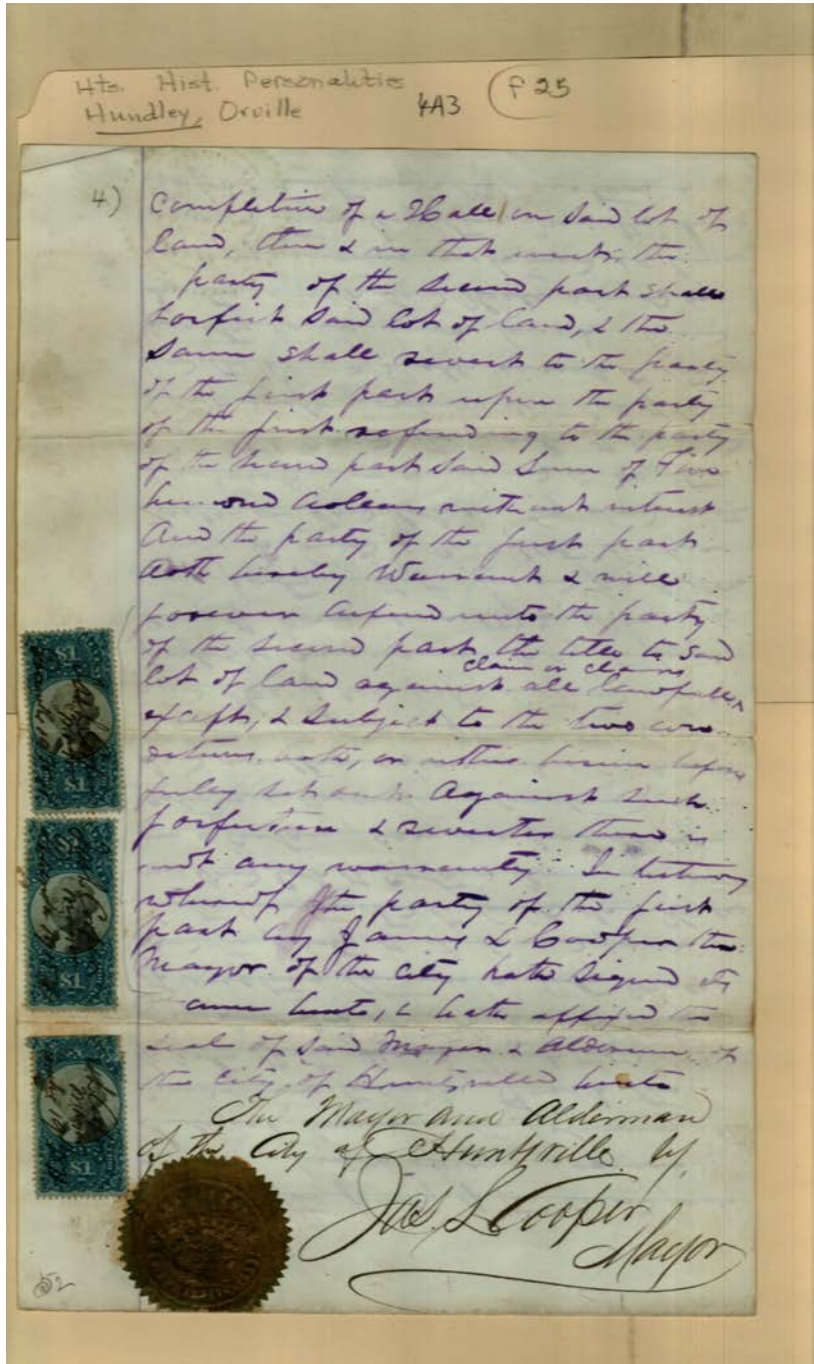
3) Land to the party of the second part
& his heirs & assigns forever.
Subject however to the following
conditions to wit: First the
party of the second part shall
by the party of the second part
any said lot of land, for the purpose
of erecting thereon a City Hall
and the party of the second part
shall be contracted to build said Hall
on said lot of certain dimensions
on a certain plan, & upon specific
plans & descriptions contained in
said written agreement & contracts
having before referred, & to have
said Hall completed, & opened for
public amusement by the first
day of November 1872. Now if
the party of the second part shall
fail to build & complete such a
Hall on said lot as by said written
contracts he is bound to do, then
& in that case the party of the second
part shall forfeit said lot of land
and the same shall revert to the
party of the first part here.
In the event said Hall should be
by any means destroyed, & a longer
period than eighteen months should
elapse without the erection &

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