

This Indenture made this Eighth day
of April in the year of our Lord One
Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty Eight
Between Charles Stearns of Lawrence in
the Territory of Kansas of the first part
and George F. Bemis of Boston Commonwealth
of Massachusetts of the second part witnesseth
that the said party of the first part, for
and in consideration of the sum of Three
thousand Dollars the receipt whereof is
hereby acknowledged, doth give grant Bargain
sell release ^{convey and} confirm unto the said party of the
second part, and to his heirs and assigns
forever all the following described land.
situated in the town of Lawrence Kansas
Territory, to wit: The south half of lot Number
Twenty-five (25) on Massachusetts Street
together with all of the buildings thereon
standing and the said Charles Stearns
covenants to have the buildings on said
lot insured for the sum of Two thousand
Dollars, and to have the policy made
payable in case of loss to said George F.
Bemis or his legal representatives together
with all and singular the hundida-
ments and appurtenances therewith
belonging, or in any wise appertaining
both in law and equity. This Grant is
intended as a mortgage, to secure
the payment of the sum of Three
thousand Dollars and interest thereon
agreeably to said Charles Stearns note
of even date hereunto for that sum
payable to the order of George F. Bemis
in fifteen months with interest at the
rate of two and a half per cent per month
"Forward"