

Know all Men of these Presents That Edward Mercer of
 the Town of Lawrence Town of Kansas and in consideration
 of the sum of One hundred Dollars to me in hand paid by
 James Smith of Lawrence aforesaid the receipt whereof is
 hereby acknowledged have bargained sold and quit claimed
 and by these presents do bargain sell and quit claim unto the
 said James Smith and to his heirs and assigns forever
 all my right title estate interest claim and demand
 in possession or in expectancy of me and to the following
 described land situated in the Town of Lawrence aforesaid
 to wit Forty numbered seventy nine (79) and eighty
 one (81) on West York Street I have and to hold the
 above described premises with the privileges and appurtenances
 thereto belonging unto the said Smith his heirs and
 assigns forever And I the said Mercer for myself
 and my heirs executors and administrators do
 covenant with the said Smith his heirs and assigns
 that the said premises are free from all encumbrances
 made or suffered by me; that I have full right and power
 to sell convey and quit claim the same and that I shall
 and will warrant and defend the same unto the said
 Smith his heirs and assigns ^{if proper} against the lawful claims
 and demands of all persons claiming by through or under
 me but against none other And I the said Edward Mercer
 my heirs and assigns are held and jointly bound
 by these presents in the sum of Two hundred
 Dollars to the said James Smith his heirs executors
 and administrators to make and convey unto him
 or them all further right or title which shall or may
 be awarded or conveyed to me by any authority or
 by any person or persons by virtue of a title to the
 Town Site of Lawrence aforesaid issuing from the
 General Land Office In witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and seal this Twenty-fifth day of April
 A.D. 1857.

Signed sealed and delivered in presence
 of C. E. Galt

Edward Mercer
 H. 2 100 words April 25. 1857 at 9 am.