

This Indenture made this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty one between Robert A. Steele <sup>and Isabella C. Steele</sup> (being of lawful age) of the County of Douglas and State of Kansas of the first part and Rev John C. Clyde of the second part.

Witnesseth That the part- of the first part in consideration of the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have sold and by these presents do grant bargain sell and convey to the said part- of the second part his heirs and assigns forever the following tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Douglas and State of Kansas described as follows to wit; One undivided  $\frac{3}{4}$  interest in South East quarter of Section Seventeen (17), Township Thirteen (13) Range Eighteen (18), East. with the appurtenances and all the estate title and interest of the said party of the first part therein, and the said party of the first part do hereby covenant and agree that at the delivery hereof they are the lawful owner of the premises above granted and seized of a good and indefeasible estate of inheritance therein free and clear of all incumbrances that they have good right to sell and convey said premises and that they will warrant and defend the same against the lawful claims of all persons.

This Grant is intended as a Mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of Five Hundred Dollars and interest thereon according to the terms of one certain mortgage note and 20 interest notes or coupons this day executed by the said Robert A. Steele and Isabella C. Steele to wit Note No. 1 for Five Hundred Dollars due January 1<sup>st</sup> 1886 dated January 1 1881 payable to John C. Clyde or order at the Merchants Bank Lawrence Kansas with Exchange with interest payable annually on the first day of January in each year according to coupons attached to said note The party of the first part further agree that they will pay all taxes and assessments upon the said premises before they shall become delinquent.

Now If such payments be made as herein specified this conveyance shall be void and shall be released upon demand of the party of the first part but if default be made in the payment of said principal sum or any part thereof or any interest thereon or of said taxes or assessments as provided then this conveyance

The following appears on original Indenture  
The note herein described having been paid in full this mortgage is hereby released  
and the lien thereby created is discharged  
As Witness my hand this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April A.D. 1881 John C. Clyde  
Attest: John C. Clyde  
John C. Clyde

Recorded April 25 1881 at 2 P.M.  
Clyde  
Register of Deeds  
City of Lawrence