

**This Indenture**, Made this Eighth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety six, between Emmett J. Kerr and Naomi M. Kerr his wife of Douglas in the County of Douglas and State of Kansas of the first part, and Adolph E. Griss and Theodore E. Griss of the second part,

**Witnesseth**, That the said party of the first part in consideration of the sum of Six Hundred DOLLARS, to them duly paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, hath sold and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and mortgage to the said party of the second part them heirs and assigns forever, all that tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Douglas and State of Kansas, described as follows, to-wit: The East half in quantity of the following described land to wit, Beginning at the North East corner of the North West quarter of Section Sixteen in Township Sixteen South of Range Nineteen (19) East of the 6th meridian running thence South thirty four (34) rods thence west Forty (40) rods thence back forty (40) rods, thence West Sixty (60) rods to a stake on a line with a rock fence, thence South Eastly to said rock fence following and bounding on said rock fence about sixty five (65) rods to the South line of said quarter section, thence West to the South East corner of said quarter section, thence North One hundred Sixty (160) rods to the North East corner of said quarter section, thence South Westly One hundred Sixty (160) rods to the place of beginning containing in said bounds with all the appurtenances, and all the estate, title and interest of the said party of the first part therein. And the said parties of the first part do hereby covenant and agree that at the delivery hereof they are the lawful owners of the premises above granted, and seized of a good and indefeasible estate of inheritance therein free and clear of all incumbrances

This grant is intended as a Mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of six hundred dollars according to the terms of two certain promissory notes this day executed and delivered by the said parties of the first part to the said party of the second part: paying Two hundred fifty dollars on the first day of May 1895, three hundred fifty dollars in five years from the date hereof, with interest at eight per cent per annum on both said sums, interest on said sum named amount to be paid annually on the 8th day of November of each year and this conveyance shall be void if such payments be made as herein specified. But if default be made in such payment, or any part herefor, or interest thereon, or the taxes, or if the insurance is not kept up thereon, then this conveyance shall become absolute, and the whole amount shall become due and payable, and it shall be lawful for the said party of the second part their executors, administrators and assigns, at any time thereafter, to sell the premises hereby granted, or any part thereof, in the manner prescribed by law, appraisal hereby waived or not at the option of the party of the second part their executors, administrators or assigns; and out of all the moneys arising from such sales, to retain the amount then due for principal and interest, together with the costs and charges for making such sales, and the overplus, if any there be, shall be paid by the party of the second part their heirs and assigns.

**In Witness Whereof**, The said party of the first part, hath hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

*Signed and delivered in presence of*

Emmett J. Kerr (SEAL)

Naomi May Kerr (SEAL)

(SEAL)

STATE OF KANSAS, { ss.  
County of Douglas

(SEAL)

**Be it Remembered**, That on this Eighth day of November, A. D. 1896, before me, Joseph E. Rigg, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, came Emmett J. Kerr and Naomi M. Kerr his wife

to me personally known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument, and duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

**In Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal on the day and year last above written.

My commission expires March 1, 1896

Recorded Nov 8, 1896

A. D. 1896, at 3<sup>rd</sup> o'clock P.M.

Joseph E. Rigg

*Notary Public*

James Brooks  
*Register of Deeds*

*The following is indorsed on Original instrument.  
The debt having been paid in full, this Mortgage is hereby released, and the lien thereby created discharged.*

*Attest: As witness my hand, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1896.*

*Adolph E. Griss.*

*Theodore E. Griss.*

*James Brooks*

*Recorded April 15, 1896.*

