day of July 1897, a decree of said Circuit Court of the United States for the Southern District of Iowa entered on the 29th day of July 1897, a decree of said Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Wyoming entered on the 31st day of July 1897, a decree of said Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Colorado entered on the 31st day of July 1897, and a decree of said Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Utah, entered on the 2nd day of August 1897, said Mortgage was foreclosed and all and singular the railroad, telegraph, property and franchises covered by said Mortgage were duly sold on the second day of November, 1897, by William D. Cornish, the Special Master appointed by said Courts to make such sale, to Louis Fitzgerald and Alvin W. Krech, purchasing trustees, they being the purchasers at the said sale; and such further proceedings were had in said several causes that said sale was duly confirmed, and the said Louis Fitzgerald and Alvin W. Krech purchasing trustees, having assigned to the Railroad Company, party of the first part hereto, their said bid and all rights by virtue thereof, including the right to receive conveyance of the property purchased, the said railroad, telegraph, property and franchises were, in pursuance of the said decrees and of the orders of said Courts, and of said assignment, conveyed to the Railroad Company, party hereto of the first part, by deed dated the 22nd day of January 1898 and executed by the said William D. Cornish, as Special Master, in which deed of conveyance Silas H. H. Clark, Oliver W. Mink, E. Ellery Anderson, Frederic R. Coudert and John W. Doane, as receivers of the property of said The Union Pacific Railway Company, covered by the said first mortgage, and said F. Gordon Dexter and Oliver Ames, (the latter being the same person styled Oliver Ames, Second, as Complainant in said several causes) as trustees under said Mortgage, and said The Union Pacific Railway Company, pursuant to said decrees and orders of said Courts and also said purchasers, all joined for the better assuring unto the Railroad Company, party hereto of the first part, the title to the said railroad, telegraph, property and franchises; and Whereas, the United States of America, under and pursuant to the said Acts of Congress, issued and delivered to the said The Union Pacific Railroad Company, organized under said acts of Congress, bonds of the United States, termed subsidy bonds, amounting to the principal sum of \$27,236,512, all of the tenor and effect described in the said acts of Congress which created and constituted ipso facto a mortgage and lien, in favor of the United States, as in the acts of Congress in that behalf provided, to secure the repayment to the United States of the amount of said subsidy bonds so issued and delivered to said The Union Pacific Railroad Company, together with all interest thereon which should have been paid by the United States which said Mortgage and lien are hereafter designated as the "Subsidy Lien" upon the whole line of railroad and telegraph, together with the rolling