This Indenture, Made this 15th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four between William A. Cardwell and Susan Cardwell his wife (being of lawful age) of the County of Douglas and State of Kansas, of the first part, and The Merchants Bank Lawrence of the second part:

Witnesseth, That the parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of Three 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 party 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:

Lots Numbered One (1) and Two (2) in Block Fifteen (15) in the town of Lecompton with the appurtenances and all the estate, title and interest of the said parties 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, 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 Three Hundred Dollars and interest thereon, according to the terms of one certain mortgage note this day executed by the said parties of the first part to wit:

Note No. 1, for Three Hundred Dollars due ninety days after date all dated October 15th 1884 payable to The Merchants Bank Lawrence or order, at the Merchants Bank of Lawrence Kans. with interest. The parties of the first part further agree that they will pay all taxes and assessments upon the said premises before they shall become delinquent and they will keep the buildings on said property insured in some approved Insurance Company payable in case of loss, to the mortgagee or assigns, and deliver the policy to the mortgagee, as collateral security hereto.

Now If such payments be made as herein specified this conveyance shall be void, and shall be released upon demand of the parties 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 if said taxes or assessments as provided or if default be made in the agreement to insure, then this conveyance

The following is indorsed on the original Instrument.
The note herein described having been paid in full, this mortgage is hereby released and the lien thereby created discharged!
As Witness my hand, This 4th day of Aug. A.D. 1885
Merchants Bank
by G. W. E. Griffith Pres.

Recorded Aug. 4th 1885 at 11 o'clock A.M.
A. J. Hanold Register of Deeds.