

State of Kansas }
County of Douglas }

Be it Remembered, That on this 26th day of June A. D. 1885 before me D. E. Newlin a Notary Public in and for said County and State came La Motte Stearns & Mary J. Stearns his wife to me personally known to be the same person 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.

D. E. Newlin
Notary Public

My commission expires Feb. 8th 1887.

Recorded June 26th 1885 at 5 O'clock P. M.

A. J. Hornold
Register of Deeds.

This Indenture made this 26th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred eighty five between Robert A. Steele and Isabella C. Steele his wife of the County of Douglas and State of Kansas of the first part and Mary C. Irwin of Pittsburg Pa. of the second part:

Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part in consideration of the sum of Twenty five Hundred Dollars to them duly paid the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have sold and by these presents do grant bargain sell and mortgage to the said party of the second part her 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 N. E. ¼ of Sec. 18 Township 13. Range 18. Containing 160 acres with the appurtenances and all the estate title and interest of the said parties of the first part therein. And the said Robert A. Steele and Isabella C. Steele 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 Twenty five Hundred Dollars according to the terms of two certain promissory notes