

This Indenture made this Eighteenth day of March 1840 in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two between Benjamin Steadman and Margaret his wife of Macoupin and State of Illinois of the one part and Nathaniel S. Cronne of the said State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Benjamin Steadman and Margaret his wife for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to ^{be in hand} paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do grant bargain sell convey confirm unto the said Nathaniel S. Cronne his heirs and assigns forever, all the several pieces of land situate and being in the county of Macoupin in the State of Illinois and known and described as follows to wit the south half of the west half the north west quarter of section No. thirteen in Township No. eight north in Range No. nine west of the third principal meridian containing ^{two} acres together with all and singular the appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining To have and to hold the above described premises unto the said Nathaniel S. Cronne his heirs and assigns forever and the said Benjamin Steadman and Margaret his wife the aforesaid premises unto the said Nathaniel S. Cronne his heirs and assigns against claim or claims of all and every person whomsoever do and will warrant and forever defend by the presents - In witness whereof the said Benjamin Steadman and Margaret his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written -

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Benjamin Steadman Seal
of John S. Brown, } Margaret ^{her} Steadman Seal
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I, John S. Brown a Justice of the peace of the County of Macoupin Illinois do certify that Benjamin Steadman and Margaret whose signatures appear to the foregoing deed and who are personally known to me the persons described in and who executed the same did severally acknowledge that they had executed the said conveyance, for the uses and purposes therein made and the said Margaret Steadman having been by me made acquainted with the contents of the said deed, and examined separate and apart from her said husband acknowledged that she had executed the same and relinquished her right to the premises therein conveyed voluntarily freely and without compulsion of her said husband - Given under my hand and Seal this 4th day of May A. D. 1840 -

John S. Brown J. P. & S.
Justice of the peace of Macoupin County
J. S. Hooley Secy