

J.C.S. *William Davis* } Know all men by these presents that
 Deed To } *William Davis* of the County of Madison
 #308 *C.D. Bevington* } and State of Iowa in Consideration of the
 Sum of Three hundred & 40 Dollars which
 I sell and convey unto *Charles D. Bevington & Hiram C. Smith* the following
 described premises to wit: the west & half of North East quarter
 & the east & half of the North West quarter of Section No.
 four (4) in Township No. twenty five (25) North of Range No.
 twenty seven (27) west 5th of the Madison Co Iowa containing
 one hundred and fifty seven acres & 16th more or less and
 I do hereby Covenant with the said *C.D. Bevington & Hiram C. Smith*
 that I am lawfully seized of said premises that they
 are free from encumbrances that I have good right and lawful
 authority to sell the same and I do hereby Covenant to warrant
 and defend the said premises against the lawful claims of
 all persons whomsoever Signed this 1st day of May A.D.
 1854. *William Davis*

State of Iowa }
 Madison County } on this 1st day of May A.D. 1854
 Before me *Isaac D. Guiberson* Notary public
 in and for said County personally came *William Davis*
 personally known to me to be the identical person whose name
 is affixed to the above deed as grantor and acknowledged
 the same to be his voluntary act and deed witness my hand
 & Notarial Seal. *I D. Guiberson*

Attest: Filed and Recorded May 11th 1854. *Notary Public*
E. Berger Recorder
E. R. Guiberson Agent of the Estate of James Guiberson