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This is a recitation of land included & fifty the Benjamin J. Allen and Sarah Allen of the village of St. Charles in the county of Madison & state of Iowa do hereby convey to William McHenry & Joseph W. Brown of the same place the following described part of land beginning at No one (1. 1st 1/2) & 1/2 (1/2) in the village of St. Charles in the south West section of said village in the County of Madison and State above mentioned and warrant to defend the title against all persons whomsoever as Witness our hands & seals this fourth day of September A.D. 1855

Benjamin J. Allen
Sarah Allen

State of Iowa
County of Madison
Be it remembered that on this fourth day of September A.D. 1855 personally appeared before me the above mentioned Benjamin J. Allen and Sarah his wife to me personally known to be the individual persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing deed as given to them and acknowledged that they executed the same for the purposes therein mentioned to the said land being by me informed of said facts and declared to me fully acquainted with the contents of the foregoing deed at the time and place above named and before me the undersigned in the real estate therein mentioned personally & without fraud or compulsion or undue influence of any such person or persons and that this day began first above mentioned
William McHenry Joseph W. Brown
Witness Charles J. Chapin Justice of the Peace
Charles J. Chapin