

James R. Ropes Know all men by these presents
 that we James R. Ropes & Lucinda
 Richard Ball & Ropes his wife of Madison County
 State of Iowa in consideration of the sum of
 seven Dollars in hand paid do hereby sell and
 convey unto Richard Reale of Madison
 County and State of Iowa the following
 described premises the well situated, in said
 County and state to wit commencing two hundred
 & ninety two feet South of twenty six & sixty four
 Township the Road meet of the North East corner
 of the north west fractional quarter of the
 North East quarter of section 180 one in Township
 sevening five Range twenty eight and thence
 Running North sixty six feet thence East one
 Hundred & ninety feet thence South sixty six feet
 thence East one hundred & ninety feet to the Place
 of Beginning and we do hereby warrant and defend
 the said premises against the lawful claims of
 all persons whomsoever Signed this seventh day
 of May A.D. 1857 in Presence of James Ropes
 Lucinda Ropes

State of Iowa
 Madison County On this seventh day of May
 A.D. 1857 before me a Justice of the Peace in and for
 said County personally came James Ropes
 & Lucinda Ropes his wife to me personally known
 to be the identical persons whose names are
 affixed to the above deed as grantors and acknowledged
 the same to be voluntary act and deed without any fraud
 and ~~offense~~ over the day and year above written

John H. Kell
 Received for Record May 7th at Des Moines Iowa
 12 o'clock M A.D. 1857

L. M. Friedrich
 Recorder