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Ransom J. Pierce  
To } Deed ✓  
C. K. Pierce

This Indenture, made this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Aug.  
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
hundred and sixty nine, Between Ransom

J. Pierce of Benton, Berrien County, and State of Michigan of the first  
part, and C. K. Pierce of the same County and State of the second part,

Witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration  
of the sum of Four hundred dollars, to him in hand paid by the said  
party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby confessed and  
acknowledged, does by these presents grant, bargain, sell, remise, alien  
and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs  
and assigns forever. -

The undivided half of the following described piece or parcel  
of land situated in Madison County State of Iowa, to-wit:

The South half of the North East quarter of Section Twenty two (22) in  
Township Seventy six (76) North of Range Twenty seven (27) West. =

Containing Eighty (80) Acres of land more or less. - Together with all and singular, the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said premises as described, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns, forever. And the said party of the first part, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators does covenant, grant, bargain and agree to and with the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, that at the time of the enrolling and delivery of these presents, he shall be well seized of the above granted premises, in fee simple. That they are free from all incumbrances whatever; and that he will, and his heirs, executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same against all lawful claims whatsoever. In witness whereof, the said party of the first part have hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in  
presence of: H. L. Harris  
A. B. Riford

Recorded St. 5000.  
Aug. 28/67  
R. J. P.

Ransom J. Pierce 

State of Michigan }  
County of Berrien }

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine, before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County, personally came the above named Ransom J. Pierce known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his free act of deed.

"J. S."

A. B. Riford  
Notary Public

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O. A. Mouser Recorder