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Know All Men By These Presents,
 That we William Gerard & Mary C.
 Gerard of Jasper County State of Iowa,
 in consideration of the sum of Eight hundred & forty Dollars, in hand paid by John J. Davis of Jasper County State of Iowa, do hereby sell and convey unto the said John J. Davis his heirs & assigns the following described premises, situated in the County of Madison State of Iowa, to-wit: The North East quarter of North West quarter & North West quarter of the North East quarter of Section Nine (9) and the South East quarter of the North West quarter of Section Three (3) all in Township N. Seventy four (74) North of Range N. Twenty six (26) also five (5) acres in a square in the North East corner of the North East quarter of the South West quarter of Section Twenty (20) also fifteen acres on the South side of the South East quarter of the North East quarter of Section Twenty (20) all in Township N. Seventy five (75) North of Range N. Twenty six (26) West to the Eighty Rods long by thirty Rods wide. And we do hereby covenant with the said John J. Davis his heirs and assigns that we are lawfully seized of said premises, that they are free from encumbrances that we have good right and lawful authority to sell the same, and we do hereby covenant to warrant and defend the said premises against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever. In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this 23rd day of July 1858
 Attest Robert B. Brackenside } William Gerard
 Mary C. Gerard

State of Iowa } I do hereby certify that before me A. O.
 Jasper County, } Silver Justice of the peace in and for
 said County personally appeared the above named William
 & Mary C. Gerard who are personally known to me to be the
 identical persons whose names are affixed to the above con-
 veyance as Grantors and acknowledged the execution of the
 same to be their voluntary act and deed for the purpose
 therein mentioned. Given under my hand at Lynnville
 this 23rd day of July A.D. 1858

State of Iowa } A. O. Silver Justice of the peace
 Jasper County, } J. B. Hough Clerk of the District Court
 in & for said County do hereby certify that A. O. Silver whose
 name is subscribed to the within acknowledgement as the Jus-

tree of the peace before whom the same were taken was at the date thereof an acting Justice of the peace of said County duly elected & qualified in accordance with the laws of the State aforesaid to act as such officer & that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith & credit, And I verily believe the signature purporting to be his, is genuine, In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand & the Seal of said County at office in ^{Station in} said County this 7th day of September A.D. 1858

"LS"

J. P. Hough Clerk

"Filed August 20" 1872, at 11 o'clock A. M.

J. P. Smith Recorder