

The United States of America
 To
 Burlington & Missouri River Railroad
 Company in Nebraska.
 Filed April 7th 1882 of P. A. M.

The United States of
 America, To all to
 whom these presents
 shall come, Greeting:

Whereas by act
 of Congress, Approved
 July 2nd 1864. "to aid in the construction of a Railroad
 and Telegraph Line from the Missouri river to the Pacific
 Ocean and to secure to the Government the use of the
 same for Postal Military and other purposes." Authority
 is given to "the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad
 Company," a corporation existing under the laws of the
 State of Iowa to extend the road through the Territory
 of Nebraska "from the point where it strikes the Missouri
 River, South of the mouth of the Platte River, to some
 point not further west than the one hundredth
 Meridian of West Longitude, and provision is made
 for granting to the said Burlington and Missouri
 River Railroad Company, every alternate section of
 public land, designated by odd numbers, to the amount
 of ten alternate sections per mile on each side of
 said road, on the line thereof, and not sold, reserved
 or otherwise disposed of by the United States, and to
 which a pre-emption or homestead claim may not
 have attached at the time the line of road is
 definitely fixed.

And Whereas, by "Joint Resolution" approved April
 10th 1869. the said Burlington and Missouri River
 Railroad Company is authorized "to assign and convey
 to a Railroad Company, to be organized, under the
 laws of the State of Nebraska, all ^{the} rights, powers, and
 privileges, granted, and conferred by said act of July 2nd
 1864. and subject to all the conditions and requirements
 therein contained" and a copy of the articles of
 Incorporation, authorized by said Resolution, and bearing
 date May 12th 1869. has been filed in the Department.

And Whereas, by the Act Approved May 6th 1870.
 the said Burlington and Missouri River Railroad
 Company, or its assigns, in the State of Nebraska,
 may so far change the location of that portion of
 its line, that his west of the City of Lincoln in