

Copy of Patent
United States

To
The B. & M. R.R. Co. etc.
Filed July 17th 1880 at D. R. M.

The United States of America, To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting:
Whereas by the Act of Congress approved July 2nd 1864 to aid in the construction of a Railroad Telegraph Line from the Missouri River to the Pacific Ocean, & to secure to the Government the use of the same for postal, military and other purposes, Authority is given to the Burlington Missouri River Railroad Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Iowa, to extend its 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 Missouri River Railroad Company, every alternate section of public land, designated by odd number 2, 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 said road is definitely fixed.

And Whereas, by Joint Resolution approved April 10th 1869, the said Burlington 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 Missouri River Railroad Company, or its assignee, in the State of Nebraska, may so far change the location of that portion of its line, that lies West of the City of Lincoln in said State, as shown by the map thereof, now on file in the General Land Office so as to secure a better and more practicable route, and to connect with the Union Pacific Railroad at or near the Fort Kearney Reservation, which map of the amended line, has been duly filed in this office.

And Whereas it is indicated by letters of the Secretary of the Interior to the Commissioner of the General Land Office dated October 13, November 15, & December 15, 1871 that the Commissioners appointed by the President under the provisions of the tentative section of the said act of Congress approved July 2nd 1864 have reported to him that every section of twenty miles each of said Railroad have been completed and equipped in the manner prescribed by said act and the same accepted by the President.

And Whereas, certain tracts have been selected under the Acts aforesaid by William P. Steyer the Agent of the Burlington Missouri River Railroad Company as shown by his original lists of selections, dated December 8, 1871 April 1st 17, 1872, certified under date April 19th 1872.

May 6, 1872 by the Register & Receiver at Lincoln, Nebraska
 and his list of selections dated January 12th 1872, certified by the Register &
 Receiver at Matrice, Nebraska, April 21st 1872, the said tracts being within
 twenty miles of the line of said road and described as follows, to wit:

Part of Section	Sec.	Twp.	Range	acres	
all of	1	6	1 E.	639 1/4	✓
all of	3	6	1 "	634 6/4	✓
all of	5	6	1 "	634 6/4	✓
all of	7	6	1 "	642 32	✓
x all of	9	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	11	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	13	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	15	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	17	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	19	6	1 "	638 2/4	✓
all of	21	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	23	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	25	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	27	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	35	6	1 "	640	✓
all of	3	8	1 "	643 30	✓
all of	5	8	1 "	638 7/4	✓
all of	7	8	1 "	631 76	✓
all of	9	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	11	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	13	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	15	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	17	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	19	8	1 "	631 6/4	✓
all of	21	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	23	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	25	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	27	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	29	8	1 "	640	✓
all of	31	8	1 "	628 32	✓
all of	33	8	1 "	640	✓
A ²	35	8	1 "	320	✓
E ² , E ² S ² N ² , E ² A ² N ² , C ² A ² M ² A ² N ²	1	5	2	522 1/4	✓
all of	3	5	2	641 1/4	✓
all of	5	5	2	641 08	✓
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