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The United States of America.

To all to whom these Presents shall come.

Whereas by the Act of Congress approved July 2nd 1864, it is provided 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 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 meridian of the 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 in the amount of two alternate sections per mile on each side of said road, as the line thereof, and not sold, reserved or otherwise disposed of by the United States, and to which a preemption 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 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 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 Stearnes 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 13th November 15th and December 15th 1871. — that the Commissioners appointed by the President under the provisions of the twentieth section of the said act of Congress approved July 2nd 1864, have reported to him that seven sections 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 F. Steiger the Agent of the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company, as shown by his original lists of Selections, dated December 8th 1871, April 14th & 17th 1872. — certified under dates April 19th 1872, and May 6th 1872, by the Register & Receiver at Lincoln Nebraska, and this list of selections dated January 12th 1872, certified by the Register & Receiver at Beatrice Nebraska, April 20th 1872, the said tracts being within Twenty miles of the line of said road, and described as follows to-wit:

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Part of Section.	Sec. Twp. Range			Acres.	
Forward.				40,032.09	
E. 2 & 3 rd	25	10	5	E.	480.
all of	27	10	5	"	640
N. 2 nd	29	10	5	"	320
all of	31	10	5	"	626
all of	33	10	5	"	640
all of	35	10	5	"	640
S. 1 st S. E., S. 2 nd S. E., & 3 rd S. E.	1	11	5	"	318.77
all of	3	11	5	"	619.60
all of	5	11	5	"	628.40
all of	7	11	5	"	633.28
all of	9	11	5	"	640
all of	11	11	5	"	640
all of	13	11	5	"	640
all of	15	11	5	"	640
all of	17	11	5	"	640
all of	19	11	5	"	631.60
all of	21	11	5	"	640
all of	23	11	5	"	640
all of	25	11	5	"	640
all of	27	11	5	"	640
all of	29	11	5	"	640
all of	31	11	5	"	631.28
all of	33	11	5	"	640
all of	35	11	5	"	640
all of	1	12	5	"	639.70
all of	3	12	5	"	636.80
all of	5	12	5	"	643.87
all of	7	12	5	"	642.92
all of	9	12	5	"	640
all of	11	12	5	"	640
S. E. 1 st & 2 nd	13	12	5	"	480
all of	15	12	5	"	640
all of	17	12	5	"	640
all of	19	12	5	"	640.52
Forward					60,764.83

Now Know Ye, that the United States of America in consideration of the premises and pursuant to the said Acts of Congress have given and granted, and by these presents do give and grant unto the said Burlington and Missouri River Railroad Company of Nebraska, and to its assigns the tracts of lands selected as aforesaid, and described in the foregoing. (Yet excluding and excepting from the transfer by these presents "All Mineral lands" should any such be found to exist in the tracts described in the foregoing; but this exception and exclusion, according to the terms of the Statute, shall not be construed to include coal and Iron lands.

To Have and to Hold the said Tracts with the appurtenances unto the said Burlington and Missouri River Railroad Company of Nebraska, and to its assigns forever with the exclusion and exception as aforesaid.

In Testimony Whereof, I, Ulysses S. Grant, President of the United States, have caused these letters to be made patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand at the City of
 Seal Washington this Fifteenth day of June, in
 the year of our Lord one thousand eight
 hundred and seventy. Two words of the Independence
 of the United States, the Ninety Sixth.

Ulysses S. Grant

By J. P. Carrish - Secretary.

C. C. Boynton.

Recorder of the General Land Office.

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