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United States  
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 Geo. & Mo. Riv. R.R. Co. of Neb.

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 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 pur-  
 poses," 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 and Missouri River Railroad  
 Company, every alternate section of public land, des-  
 igned 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 dis-  
 posed of by the United States, and to which a pre-  
 emptory 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 Rail-  
 road 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 re-  
 quirements 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 De-  
 partment.

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,  
 as to secure a better and more practicable route,  
 and to connect with the Union Pacific Railroad at or

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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 Oct. 13, November 10<sup>th</sup>, and December 15<sup>th</sup>, 1871 that the Commissioners appointed by the President under the provisions of the twentieth section of the said act of Congress approved July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1864, have reported to him that seven sections of twenty miles each of said Railroad have been completed and equipped in a 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 D. Steiger the agent for the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company, as shown by his original list of selections dated April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1872 and certified under date of May 24<sup>th</sup> 1872 by the Register & Receiver at Lincoln, Nebraska,

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
N. 1/4 S. E. 4	25	9	2 E.	40
S. 1/4 N. E. 4	21	11	3 "	40
S. 1/4 S. E. 4	21	12	4 "	40
E. 2 N. 1/4	29	12	4 "	80
E. 2 N. E. 4	33	12	4 "	80
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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 land 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 land.

Patent, concluded.

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 Washington, this nineteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-seventh

By the President:

U. S. Grant

By <sup>Asst</sup> Z. B. Sturgis, Secretary,  
W. B. Boynton, Recorder  
of the General Land Office.