

edged the above instrument, to be their free act and deed -
 Before me. John S. Scammell - Justice of the Peace -
 Rec^d May 17th 1878 at 10^h A.M. Ent^d & Ex^d By. Alex. W. Wilder Reg^r

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 to
 Sumner Ballou
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Know all men by these presents that I Amy Elizabeth Taft of Mendon in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts in consideration of one hundred and thirty eight dollars paid by Sumner Ballou of said Mendon the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Sumner Ballou, his heirs and assigns, a certain tract of land situated in said Mendon upon the Easterly side of the road leading from the house of Gustavus W. Williams to the road leading from Mendon to Uxbridge by the Unitarian Meeting House, and is bounded as follows viz: Beginning at a point on said first mentioned road, at a corner of Joanna Stinsley's land, it being the Northwest corner of the premises, thence on said road S. 86 $\frac{1}{2}$ ° E. three rods sixteen links to a stake in the ground being a corner of land this day deceded by grantor to Catharine Taft thence N. 67 $\frac{1}{4}$ ° E. eight rods two links to Charles H. Child's land stake and stones, thence on said Child's land N. 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ ° W. five rods eight links to Anna M. Hastings's land thence on said Hastings and Joanna Stinsley's land S. 55 $\frac{3}{4}$ ° W. nine rods eight links to the point of beginning, containing forty one and one half square rods. To have, and to hold the above granted premises with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, to the said Sumner Ballou, his heirs and assigns, to their use and behoof forever. And I the said Amy E. Taft for myself and my heirs, executors and administrators do covenant with the said Sumner Ballou, his heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee simple of the aforegranted premises that they are free from all incumbrances that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Sumner Ballou, his heirs and assigns forever as aforesaid and that I will, and my heirs, executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said Sumner Ballou, his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. In witness whereof I the said Amy Elizabeth Taft have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirteenth day of May in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy.