

Preemption  
CERTIFICATE  
No. 1863

**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

**WHEREAS** *Ruel Starr and Hanson Finney, Assignees of Anna Smith*

have deposited in the **GENERAL LAND OFFICE** of the United States, a Certificate of the **REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE** at *La Porte* whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said *Anna Smith,*

according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the East half of the South East quarter of Section thirty, in Township thirtyfive, North of Range five West of the second Meridian, in the District of Kansas subject to sale at Winamac, Indiana, containing Eighty acres,

according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the **SURVEYOR GENERAL**, which said tract has been purchased by the said *Anna Smith,*

**NOW KNOW YE,** That the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, **HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED**, and by these presents **DO GIVE AND GRANT**, unto the said *Ruel Starr and Hanson Finney,*

and to *their* heirs, the said tract above described: **TO HAVE AND TO HOLD** the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging, unto the said *Ruel Starr and Hanson Finney,*

and to *their* heirs and assigns forever, as tenants in common and not as joint tenants.

**In Testimony Whereof, I,** *James K. Polk* **PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**, 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**, the *fifteenth* day of *January* in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *forty six* and of the **INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES** the *Seventieth*

**BY THE PRESIDENT:**

*James K. Polk*  
By *J. Knox Walker* Sec'y.  
*S. H. Laughlin* **RECORDER** of the General Land Office.

