

Jesse A. Starnes

to

Mary L. Harrison

This Indenture, made this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and One (1901), between Jesse A. Starnes, a single man, formerly known as "Jesse Benjamin" as hereinafter shown of the County of Skamania, State of Washington, party of the first part, and Mrs Mary L. Harrison of Hood River Valley, a widow, of the County of Wasco, State of Oregon, party of the second part.

Witnesseth: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Five Hundred Fifty (\$550) <sup>no</sup> Dollars, to him in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has bargained, sold, aliened, released, conveyed, and confirmed, and by these presents does bargain, sell, alien, release, convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part, her heirs and assigns forever, all that certain real estate situated on the West side of White Salmon River, in the County of Skamania and State of Washington, to-wit:

The West half of the North West quarter (N. 1/2 of N. N. 1/4) and the West half of the South West Quarter (S. 1/2 of S. N. 1/4) of Section Nine (9) in Township Three (3) North of Range Ten (10) East of the Willamette Meridian, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres, according to the Official Plat of the Survey of said lands, on file in the United States Land Office at Vancouver, Washington, and being the same land which the United States patented to said Jesse A. Starnes by Patent Certificate No. 5360, dated November 24<sup>th</sup> 1899, recorded in Records General Land Office at Washington in Vol. 10 at page 215, and also recorded on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D. 1901, in Book "A" of Patents at pages 423-424, Records of Skamania County, State of Washington, reference to which is hereby made.

Said Jesse A. Starnes declares that as "Jesse Benjamin" he was married to Doratha Torson, but that he is now divorced from her, as per affidavit and certified copy of decree of divorce attached hereto, marked "Exhibit A," and made a part of this mortgage and intended to be recorded as a part hereof between the Testimonial clause and the certificate of acknowledgment hereof.

These lines were written over an erasure before execution. J. I. H.

Together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining; and also the estate, right, title and interest of the said party of the first part, if, in and to the same.

To have and to hold the hereinbefore granted, bargained and described premises, with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part, her heirs and assigns forever.

This conveyance is intended as a mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of Five Hundred Fifty (\$550) Dollars, in accordance with the tenor of one certain promissory note of which the following is a substantial copy, to-wit:

\$ 550.00

Hood River, Oregon, March 15<sup>th</sup> 1901.

Five years after date, without grace, I promise to pay to the order of Mary L. Harrison, widow, at the office of John Lebeck Henderson at Hood River, Oregon, ~~the~~ Five Hundred Fifty (\$550) <sup>no</sup> Dollars, in Gold Coin of the United States of America, of the present standard value, with interest thereon in like Gold Coin at the rate of ten per cent per annum, from date until