

Niles houses

Warranty Deed.

*Melton B. Shepard, Mary G.
Shepard, Francis M.
Gray, & Emma S. Gray*

TO
*Edward Fowler
&
Benjamin Gates
Trustees &c*

W. Lot 20. W. Jackson Niles
REGISTER'S OFFICE, } ss.
Barren County, }

Received for Record, this *24*th
day of *May* A. D. 187*3*.
at *1 1/2* o'clock *P. M.*, and
Recorded in Liber *49* of
Deeds, on Page *43*.

R. D. Dix Deputy Register.

75 cts enclosed

*Returned to
G. J. Edwards
Please send & return
same parcel
Edwards*

300
40
20
160
111
40
671
160
511

STATE OF MICHIGAN

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Revenue Stamp.

This Indenture, Made this twenty-third day of May
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three

BETWEEN Shelton B. Shepard and Mary G. Shepard, his wife, and Francis M. Gray and Emma J. Gray his wife, all of Niles, Berrien County & State of Michigan
of the first part, and Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates Trustees in the United Society of Shakers in New Lebanon, County of Columbia, State of New York of the second part,

Witnesseth, That the said part is of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of

ten thousand (\$10,000) Dollars,
to them in hand paid by the said part is of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby

confessed and acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, aliened and confirmed; and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, alien and confirm unto the said part is of the second part, their heirs and assigns, **Forever,**

all those certain pieces or parcels of land lying, being, and situated in the County of Berrien and State of Michigan, known, and described as follows: Commencing at the north-west corner of Lot number twenty (20) in William Justice addition to the Village (New City) of Niles, thence running South along the East Line of Second Street twenty-two feet (22), thence East eighty-three and 1/2 (83 1/2) feet, thence North twenty-two (22) feet to South Line of Sycamore Street, thence West along South Line of Sycamore Street to place of beginning.

Also commencing twenty (20) feet north of the South West Corner of said Lot number twenty (20) in said William Justice said addition to said Village (New City) of Niles, thence running East sixty-five (65) feet, thence ^{North} twenty feet (20), thence West sixty-five (65) feet to the East Line of Second Street, thence South along said East Line of Second Street to place of beginning

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Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining; and the reversion and reversions, remainder *and* remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, *and any* demand whatsoever, of the said part *is* of the first part, either in Law or Equity, of, in and to the above bargained premises, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, **To Have and to Hold** the said premises as above described, with the appurtenances, unto the said part *is* of the second part, and to *their* heirs and assigns forever. And the said part *is* of the first part, for ~~themselves~~ *their* heirs, executors, and administrators, do covenant, grant, bargain and agree to and with the said part *is* of the second part, *their* heirs and assigns, that at the time of the ensealing and delivery of these presents, *they are* well seized of the premises above *described* as of a good, sure, perfect, absolute and indefeasible ESTATE OF INHERITANCE in the Law, in Fee Simple; and that the said Lands *and premises* are free from all incumbrances whatever:



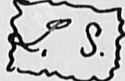

and that the above bargained premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said part *is* of the second part, *their* heirs and assigns, against all and every person or persons, lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, *they* will forever **Warrant and Defend.**

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In Witness Whereof, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Sealed and Delivered in Presence of

George A. Edwards
Lewis Shaw

Whittow B. Shepard 
Mary G. Shepard 
Francis M. Gray 
Emma L. Gray 

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

COUNTY OF _____ } ss.

On this _____ day of _____
in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-_____ before me, the subscriber,
_____ for said County, personally appeared
_____ to me known to be the same person described in and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged the same to be _____ free act and deed.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

COUNTY OF Berrien } ss.

On this 23d day of May
in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three before me, the subscriber, a
Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared
said Whittow B. Shepard, Mary G. Shepard, Francis M. Gray, and Emma L. Gray
to me known to be the same persons described in and who executed the within instrument, who severally acknowl-
edged the same to be their free act and deed; and the said Mary G. Shepard, and
Emma G. Gray, each, respectively,
_____ on a private examination by me, separate and apart from their said husbands & acknowledged that they executed the same freely, and without fear of or compulsion from any one.

George A. Edwards
Notary Public
Berrien County
Michigan