

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CERTIFICATE

No. 23987

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS John Rance, of Jay County, Indiana

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

John Rance

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 South half of the North East quarter of Section one, in Township twenty two North, of Range fourteen East, in the District of Lands subject to sale at Fort Wayne, 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

John Rance

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

John Rance

and to his 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

Rance

John

and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony Whereof, I,

Martin Van Buren

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 tenth day of November

in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty and of the

INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the Sixty fifth

BY THE PRESIDENT:

Martin Van Buren

By

M. Van Buren Jr

Sec'y.

J. S. Wilson acting **RECORDER** of the General Land Office,

Ad interim

