

on land of Austin Holbrook 87 feet being about 84 rods long and five rods wide, to wit: two & half rods from the centre line of said Company's Rail Road as now staked out for the same, containing two acres one quarter & fifteen rods, more or less. Said strip of land, crossing two public roads. ¶ Also, one other piece of land in said Grafton, bounded Northerly on my own land, 657 feet; Easterly on land of Austin Holbrook 66 feet; Southerly on land of said Holbrook 644 feet, and running to a point on its Westerly end, containing half an acre & 22 rods, more or less. Said Company to make and forever maintain a good and sufficient fence on both sides of said Rail Road. Also, to construct two culverts under their Rail Road, near Robert Laithe land for the free passage of water as now used for the purpose of irrigation of my land on the Northerly side of said Rail Road; & also a ditch for the conveyance of said water on the easterly side of said Rail Road to the higher part of my land.

To have and to hold the afore granted premises, to the said Providence & Worcester Rail Road Company, their successors and assigns, to their use and behoof, forever. And I do for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, their successors and assigns, that I am lawfully seized in fee of the afore granted premises; that they are free of all incumbrances; that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company; and that I will warrant and defend the same premises to the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, their successors and assigns, forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. And I, Polly Leland, wife of the said Joshua W. Leland, for the consideration aforesaid, do hereby release, and quit-claim unto the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, their successors and assigns, all my right, claim or possibility of dower in or out of said premises. In witness whereof, we, the said Joshua W. Leland and Polly Leland have hereunto set our hands and seals this second day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty six.

Signed, sealed and delivered;

Joshua W. Leland (seal)

Polly Leland (seal)

in presence of }  
 Julia J. Leland }  
 Jon<sup>d</sup>. Leland }  
 William Jackson }  
 Worcester, ss. May 16<sup>th</sup> 1846. Then the above named Joshua W. Leland acknowledged the above instrument to be his free act and deed -  
 Before me, Jon<sup>d</sup>. Leland, Justice of Peace,  
 Rec<sup>d</sup>. May 20<sup>th</sup> 1846 at 3<sup>40</sup> P.M. Int<sup>d</sup>. & Es<sup>d</sup>. by Art<sup>d</sup>. Ward, Notary.

**BEGINNING**

Rice Oliver

to

Prov. & Wor. R.R. Co.

I know all men by these presents, that I, Oliver Rice, of Millbury, County of Worcester & Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in consideration of one hundred twenty one & 1/100 dollars, paid by the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, do give, grant, sell and convey unto the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, their successors and assigns, a certain strip of land situated in said Millbury & bounded as follows, viz: Northwesterly by land James H. Benchley and Southeasterly by land recently

conveyed to said company by Sylvester Stockwell; Southwesterly and Northeasterly by my own land; being a strip of land taken by said company for their Rail Road about fifty two rods long and five rods wide, to wit: two & half rods wide from the centre of said Rail Road each way, and containing about one acre & a half & twenty rods. Said company to make and forever maintain a good and sufficient <sup>fence</sup> on both sides of their road adjoining my other land. Reserving to myself a pass way for cattle and teams to be prepared and kept convenient for said purposes.

To have and to hold the afore-granted premises to the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road company, their successors and assigns, to their use and behoof forever. And I do for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, covenant with the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road company, their successors, and assigns, that I am lawfully seized in fee of the afore-granted premises; that they are free of all incumbrances; that I have good right to sell and convey the same to the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road company; and that I will warrant and defend the same premises to the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road company, their successors and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. And I, Achsah B. Rice, wife of the said Oliver Rice, for the consideration aforesaid, do hereby release and quit claim unto the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road company, their successors and assigns, all my right, claim or possibility of dower in or out of said premises. In witness whereof, we, the said Oliver Rice, and Achsah B. Rice, have hereunto set our hands and seals this twentieth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty six.

Signed, sealed, and delivered

Oliver Rice (seal)  
Achsah B. Rice (seal)

in presence of } Worcester Co. May 20<sup>th</sup> 1846. Then the above named Oliver Rice,  
Henry G. Rice } acknowledged the above instrument to be his free act and deed -  
William Jackson }  
Before me, Asa H. Waters, Justice of Peace,  
Rec<sup>d</sup>. May 20<sup>th</sup> 1846 at 3<sup>h</sup> 40<sup>m</sup> P. M. Ent<sup>d</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> by A. R. Ward Regr.

Rice Oliver **END**  
to  
Prov. & Wor. R. R. Co.

I know all men by these presents, that I, Oliver Rice, of Millbury, County of Worcester, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in consideration of one hundred & ninety dollars, paid by the Providence and Worcester Rail Road company, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, do give, grant, sell and convey unto the said Providence and Worcester Rail Road company, their successors and assigns, a certain strip of land, situated in said Millbury, and bounded as follows, viz: Southerly by land of the heirs of Amasa Roberts u David P. Phese. Northerly by land of Sylvester Stockwell; Easterly and Westerly by my own land & a public road; being a strip of land about sixty eight rods long crossing a public road, and five rods wide, to wit: two & half rods from the centre of said company's Rail Road, as now staked out,