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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, In pursuance of the Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1855, entitled "An Act in addition to certain Acts granting Bounty Land to certain Officers and Soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States," there has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE, Warrant No. 85,167 for 160 acres in favor of William Berry, seaman, Ships Cumberland and Saratan, United States Navy, War with Mexico, with evidence that the same has been duly located upon the North-West quarter of Section twenty-three, in Township twenty-eight South of Range sixteen East of Mt. Diablo meridian in the district of lands subject to sale at San Francisco, California, containing one hundred and sixty acres according to the Official Plat of the Survey of said Lands returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL; the said Warrant having been assigned by the said William Berry to Drura W. James, in whose favor the said tract has been located.

NOW KNOW YE, That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said Drura W. James, as assignee as aforesaid, and to his heirs, the tract of Land above described: to have and to hold the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Drura W. James, as as assignee as aforesaid, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, Abraham Lincoln, 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 first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-fifth.

By the President: Abraham Lincoln.

By W. O. Stoddard, Sec'y.
