

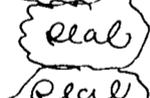
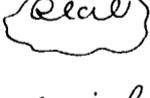
Balthas Volk and
Martin Piantoni
with
James Steeb

This Agreement made and entered into the 12th day of August A.D. One thousand eight hundred and seventy six Between Balthas Volk and Martin Piantoni of the town and county of Eureka, and State of Nevada, parties of the first part and James Steeb of the city of Chicago State of Illinois, but at present in the said town and county of Eureka, party of the second part Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter contained on the part of the party of the second part hereby agree to sell and convey unto the said party of the second part the following described real and mining property situated in the Eureka Mining District Eureka County and State of Nevada, to wit: An undivided interest of Eight hundred (800) feet in and upon that certain mine, ledge or lode, containing in all, one thousand (1000) feet which mine or ledge is sometimes called the "General Washington" mine Also that certain mine, ledge or lode known as the "Washington Grand ledge or lode" containing in all one thousand (1000) feet. Also that certain mine ledge or lode known as the "Matamoros" ledge or lode, containing in all seven hundred and fifty (750) feet, Also, that certain mine ledge or lode known as the Santa Godardo ledge or lode, containing in all six hundred (600) feet Also, that certain mine ledge or lode known as the Clyde, ledge or lode containing in all six hundred feet (600) Also Seventy nine and $\frac{66}{100}$ ($79\frac{66}{100}$) acres of woods and timber land the same being the timber and woodlands upon which the said mining claims are located, with the tenements and hereditaments thereon, All of which said mining and real property is situated on the western slope of Prospect Mountains in said Eureka Mining District and County. For the sum of Forty thousand (40,000) Dollars in U.S. gold coin.

And the said party of the second part in consideration of the premises agrees to pay to the said Balthas Volk and Martin Piantoni the sum of Forty thousand, (40,000) dollars in gold coin of the United States in manner following to wit:
One thousand (1000) dollars on the execution of these presents and the remaining thirty nine thousand, (39,000) dollars as follows to wit: Nineteen thousand (19,000) dollars at the City of Chicago, State of Illinois on the first day of August A.D. 1876. Five thousand (5000) on the 1st day of September A.D. 1876. Five thousand (5000) dollars on the first day of October A.D. 1876. Five thousand (5000) dollars on the first day of November A.D. 1876 and the remaining five thousand (5000) dollars on the 1st day of December A.D. 1876 for which said several sums, aggregating the said sum of thirty nine thousand (39,000) dollars the said party of the second part is to issue his respective negotiable Bills of Exchange to the parties of the first part payable at the times hereinbefore specified and at the said City of Chicago. And said Bills of Exchange to be drawn upon Albert Sturgis and accepted by him, payable in the City of Chicago aforesaid, and at the times hereinbefore specified in U.S. gold coin. And the said parties of the first part also agree that on receiving the said sum of Forty thousand (40,000) Dollars, gold coin of the

United States at the times and in the manner above mentioned or at any time before said times, and when the said parties of the first part shall have received the money upon said Bills of Exchange and are released from all responsibility hereon, they and each of them will execute and deliver to the said party of the second part a good and sufficient deed for the conveying and assuring to him the said party of the second part the title of the said premises free from all encumbrances, done, made or suffered by the said parties of the first part or either of them And it is hereby understood that the said party of the second part is to pay State and County taxes or assessments of whatever nature, which are or may become due on the premises above described and that the said party of the first part pending the maturity of this contract shall have the right to enter into and upon the possession of said premises and to work and develop the same but in no event to remove any ore therefrom or have any right, title or interest therein, until the said sum of nineteen thousand (19,000) Dollars shall have been paid as aforesaid And it is hereby further understood that this contract is made subject to the right of One John Alston under that certain contract made by the parties of the first part in relation to said premises with said Alston and dated June 5th AD 1876 and recorded in Book A of Miscellaneous page 328 records of Esmeralda Co. Nev. and which contract the party of the second part shall cause to be cancelled and the parties of the first part relieved from all liability thereunder before the deed can be demanded as provided in this contract And it is understood that the stipulations aforesaid are to apply to and bind the heirs executors, administrators and assigns of the respective parties

In witness whereof the parties hereto have set their hands and seals this 12th day of July AD 1876.

Balthas Volk 
 Martinus Degutonis 
 James Steel 

Attest,
 W. H. Davenport

State of Nevada }
 County of Esmeralda } s.s. On this Twelfth day of July AD One thousand eight hundred and seventy six, personally appeared before me Lambert Molinelli a Notary Public in and for the County of Esmeralda, Balthas Volk, Martinus Degutonis and James Steel whose names are subscribed to the annexed instrument as parties thereto personally known to me to be the same persons described in and who executed the said annexed instrument as parties thereto and who duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily and for the uses and purposes therein mentioned



In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hands and affixed my official seal the day and year in this Certificate first above written

Lambert Molinelli Notary Public

Recorded at request of J. Taylor July 13th AD 1876 at 30 my pass 11. Nev.

R. D. Corape
 Recorder