

Preemption  
CERTIFICATE  
No. 12445

**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

W. 295

**To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:**

**WHEREAS** John Nesbit Nesmith and William Horton of Blount County Alabama,

have deposited in the **GENERAL LAND OFFICE** of the United States, a Certificate of the **REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE** at Huntsville whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said John Nesbit Nesmith and William Horton

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 West quarter of Section Twenty, in Township nine, of Range Two East, in the District of Lands subject to sale at Huntsville Alabama, containing one hundred and sixty acres and ten hundredths of an acre

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 Nesbit Nesmith and William Horton,

**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 Nesbit Nesmith and William Horton,

and to their 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 John Nesbit Nesmith and William Horton

and to their heirs and assigns forever.

as tenants in common and not as joint tenants.

**In Testimony Whereof, I,** James K. Polk,

**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 Aug in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five and of the **INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES** the Sixty ninth



**BY THE PRESIDENT:** James K. Polk,

By John Walker, Sec'y.

J. C. Laughlin **RECORDER of the General Land Office.**