

A. E. Horton  
Nov 25/67

San Francisco Nov 25<sup>th</sup> 1867

Friend Morse

I have just received a letter from San Jose saying there was quite an number there that were going to San Diego to see the country, I shall give some of them Letters of introduction to you, please take them around with your buggy, keep them out of the hands of the Crokers as much as possible, if they report favourable There will be quite an emigration from San Jose,

(This is confidential I was told by an officer that Halleck had recommended Government to ~~but~~ establish a military School on the Island opposite New Town)

The Engineers (Gen Alexander) has recommended Three Hundred Thousand Dollars be appropriated this present Congress for the building of Fortification at San Diego, I have had a long talk with three Separate Companies about building a Flouring mill at San Diego, shall not leave a Stone on turned, am doing all I can for San Diego and my self, have given Gen Rosecrans one Block, Gen Sherburne one half Block Gen Alexander one half Block Breed & Chase one half Block, Truman one half Block Mr Lathrop one Block he is one of the Railroad Director Gen Allen one half Block, Mackie the mate of the Steam Orizaba Two Lots, Menton one Lot, Mrs Wiswill Two Lots, Mrs Allyn one Block, De Wolf one Block,

I have not told you this to boast or brag of my generosity it is this, when I can secure the influence of a Man that will



Mr. J. Roberts will go down on the next steamer  
he is willing if he likes he will go down to live  
if you take the above names with him you will not  
to

will advance the

~~interest~~ interest of San Diego, shall do all I  
can to secure it; Dr Gunn Editor of <sup>the</sup> Times one block  
The Editors of the San Jose Mercury one Lot each  
a side from this I have sold several Blocks & Lots,  
I sell Blocks for Three Hundred Dollars each,

Corner lots fifty each, inside Lots Twenty Five Dollars each  
Park Fifteen Thousand Dollars for half interest in the

Town, Dr De Wolf wants me to say to you  
he hopes you will not put up <sup>any</sup> land <sup>for sale</sup> till he goes  
down, there is several others that will go down soon,  
they all want to get some land as near San Diego  
as possible, they are going down for the purpose of making  
San Diego a home, Several have said to me, say to  
the Trustees, will you put off the sale of lands  
<sup>untill</sup> we can move down, I will here say there is more

excitement here at the present time in relation to San Diego  
then I had expected, there <sup>is</sup> bound to be a large emigration  
there <sup>in</sup> this Spring, Capitalists are calling on me everyday  
to inquire about your place, I believe property will be  
worth double & thrible next summer to what it is at the present  
I want you to ask Mr Bush & Johnson how they like my new Map  
would they like to have it put out <sup>to</sup> be sold, please write

My kind regards to Mr & Mrs Moss, Mr & Mrs Bush  
Yours Truly  
A. E. Horton

What is the amount of my taxes  
I will send the amount

as soon as you inform me



San Francisco Dec 2nd 1867

Friend Morse

I have just received yours  
Nov 27 As for the future of San Diego I  
have not a doubt, never felt more sanguin  
then at the present. There ~~has~~ several persons  
called on me from San Jose to make enquires  
about San Diego, some have bought property  
there and intend to settle there

Dr. De Wolf wants to go down on the sixth  
if he gets his business aranged to day will go  
My Wife will go down with his family I have  
paid him for half of the House. De Wolf has  
got the San Diego fever bad. I have got a  
map Copied from in the Surveyor Generals  
office of the Pueblo lands belonging to the  
City of San Diego, I will send it to you  
by ~~the~~ next steamer, will send your table  
it is a black walnut Card Table I paid  
Six dollars for it, think you will like  
it, if it does not suit I will ~~keep~~ take it

A. E. Horton  
Du 3/67



If Mrs Sherman should give up the school there is a Mrs Lewis an old acquaintance of mine, she has taught school for years her husband is a first rate Mechanic they have one child a daughter twelve years old they say if she could get a school there they would move down there and make San Diego there home, she is a lady that will please Mrs Morse, and all who make her acquaintance, she does not want to undermine Mrs Sherman if a vacancy occurs would like the place. ~~What~~ place was your compass left to be repaired, what is the price please write.

I wrote to Mr Pendleton to send me an Abstract of the lots I bought of the City of San Diego if he has not sent it sent by Express on the Steamer. Next week I will send money to you by Express, to pay my taxes and for the Abstract, some in buying City lots & Blocks want to see an Abstract of my title

Think I will get Holiday to put the passage down to 25 dollar. Kind regards to Mrs Morse

Yours Truly



Deed of Blochs per Hint  
& Transcontinental R.R.

Horton to Transcontinental

Blochs 338	373	398
340	374	399
344	375	401
345	376	400
347	377	402
364	378	
365	395	
367	396	
368	397	

Warranty  
July 14, 1867

Don (page 1)  
Dec 1869



~~See what kind  
a deed Horton  
gave to Transcon  
rental Co July 4,  
80 acres in 1875 2nd class  
& also date of  
filing of my map  
was August 18  
Dec 30, 1871~~

~~see if Horton gave  
on 10 acres in 1850  
in 1873 no~~

Horton  
to Morse



San Francisco Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 1867

Friend Mess

I have to day made arrangements with a company to build a Wharf at New Town. They are to get the Lumber this winter & build the Wharf in the Spring. I shall be down next month with out fail, get Mr Porter to deliver me a Cord of wood

I meant to have sent you a map of the Pueblo Lands, will send it next mail

Yours in haste  
A. E. Horton



A. E. Horton  
Dec 9/67

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1869

Dec 14	To amount of Insurance Policy			
1870	on your Dwelling Home <sup>9<sup>th</sup> St.</sup>	50	01	✓
Feb 17	" paid freight on Grape vine			
	sent you by Judge Sawyer	1	00	✓
	" paid W. C. Johnson for Cistern			
	set up at your Wind Mill	75	00	✓
	" 136 feet water pipe			X X X
May 22	" Currency check for \$2000 =			
	sent by you to W. F. Ho			
	value in coin	1746	60	✓
	" sundry provisions furnished			
	house, as agreed upon on			
	settlement, being balance over			
	Wood, Kerosene <sup>milk &amp; water</sup> furnished by you	11	74	✓
x	" amount paid <del>W. F. Ho</del>			
	Gatewood for <del>this</del> interest			
	in the Sweeney tract	750	00	✓
x	" amount paid you in work			
	by T. M. Shaw for ase lots			
	J & II of Block 196	25	00	✓
	" 1 Letter Press		6	00
	" services from June 21 <sup>st</sup> <sup>1869</sup> to			
	July 18 <sup>th</sup> <sup>1870</sup> @ \$50 = per mo.	650	00	✓
	" Amount paid you by John			
	Hanson for lots A & B of			
	Block 201	350	00	✓
	" amt paid you by T. Buxton			
	for lot C of Block 201	150	00	✓
	" amount paid you by J.			
	Journey for lots C & D			
	of Block 202	300	00	✓
	carried over	4115	35	







Copy  
of a/c

1470



5240.58

500.00 for AK & L  
sold young

5740.58

Dieffenberp \$850.  
Howard & Man 1000.

5740.

1450

3890

2333

1557.

if allowed



copy

A. E. Horton

In a/c with E. W. Mase

To amount received from sales of lots on the Sweeney Trust \$ 3200. total - one half is	} \$1600.00
" do do from Contracts of sales \$200. total - one half is	400.00
" Salary from June 21 <sup>st</sup> to Nov 21 <sup>st</sup> 1869 5 mos @ \$50 =	250.00
" amount received from Wilcox for blocks 194	1333.33 3288.33
" amount received from sales of } fractional lots in blocks 114 & 121 viz \$3500. 1/8 interest is	} 437.50

Contra

Cr by amount Horton paid to Wheeler & Chase	} 1200.00
Oct 29 Cr by Cash borrowed	500.00
Nov 17 " " " " " on due bill bol 1132.33	400.00 2100.00
" " 496 Pickets @ 4 1/2%	22.32
" " stabling horse 1 month bol 15-88,57	10.00



A. E. Horton

In acf with E. W. Morse

To amount received from sales of Lots on the Sweeney Tract viz \$3200 on acf of the full sized lots - one half is -	\$1600.00
" do do from Contracts of sales of full sized lots of 200 one half	100.00
" Cash paid you by Capt Wilcox for Portion of Blocks 194	1333.33
" Salary from June 21 <sup>st</sup> to Nov 24 <sup>th</sup> 1869 @ \$50 per month	250.00
" amount received from sales of Fractional Lots in Blocks numbered 114 and 121 viz \$3500 1/8 interest is	437.50
	8720.83

Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1869

Contra

Or by amount you paid Breed and Chase on note	\$1200.	enter in ledger
Oct 25 " by Cash borrowed	500.	entered "
Nov 17 " " " " on Due bill	400.	" "
" " Packets 496 @ 4 1/2 <sup>c</sup>	22.32	" "
" " Stabling horse 1 month	10.00	" "
	2132.32	
	bal \$1548.51	

Charge also what I paid Johnson & Watson



Lot Blocks Sold

I	115	\$400.	
<sup>1/2 of</sup> J	115	200.	
G	115	500.	
H	115	400.	
F	116	500.	
G	116	500.	
L	120	<u>500.</u>	\$3000.00

Contracted

F	115	100	
G	117	<u>100</u>	200.00

1/4 Interest in Sales

D-114	400	
E-114	400	
F-114	500	
A-121	500	
B- <del>121</del>	400	
C-121	400	
D-121	400	
F-121	<u>500</u>	\$3500.    25 feet = 1/4

875.  
 2) \$4075.  
2037.50







July 28/69 & 29/69

Mr Horton paid me today \$1110<sup>-</sup>  
gold equal @ 74<sup>c</sup> to \$1500<sup>-</sup> to pay for  
sueing interest,

also returned me my note for \$600<sup>-</sup> on  
account of the \$750<sup>-</sup> I paid for Clarks 1/10  
interest,

I gave him a receipt for this today  
mentioning that the land was to be divided  
equally

If H. returns me the \$600 Note on acct of the \$750,  
how is it that I credited him the \$600 on page 18  
about Aug 25<sup>th</sup>



Horton + Moore  
Mem<sup>o</sup> of  
amount received  
from A. C. Horton  
+ July 28<sup>th</sup>  
and receipt given



**This Indenture,** Made the \_\_\_\_\_ day of

*September* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *sixty nine*

Between *E. W. Morse* of the City and County of *San Diego* State of *California* the party of the first part and *A. E. Horton* of the same place

the party... of the second part, **Witnesseth,** That the said party... of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars,

of the United States of America, to *him* in hand paid by the said party... of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has...

remised, released, and forever quit-claimed, and by these presents do~~s~~. remise, release, and forever quit-claim unto the said party... of the second part, and to *his* heirs and assigns, all that certain lot... piece... or parcel... of land situate, lying and being in

the *City* and \_\_\_\_\_ County of *San Diego* State of *California* and bounded and particularly described as follows, to wit:

*The equal undivided thirteen sixteenths of all that certain tract of land bounded as follows to wit: Commencing at a point one hundred and twenty five feet (125) due East of the North East corner of Block number twelve in New San Diego according to the map of said New San Diego as drawn by A. B. Gray, thence due North one hundred varas, thence due East four hundred varas, thence due south one hundred varas more or less to the low water mark of the Bay of San Diego thence along said low water mark to a point south of the place of beginning, thence due North to the place of beginning*

**Together** with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof; and also all the estate, right, title, interest, \_\_\_\_\_ property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in law as in equity, of the said part... of the first part, of, in, or to the said premises, and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances.

**To Have and to Hold,** all and singular, the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party... of the second part, *his* heirs and assigns forever.

**In Witness Whereof,** the said party... of the first part, has hereunto set *his* hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of )  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Seal  
Seal

*Made & sealed City of San Diego Oct 12/69*



Copy of my  
Deed  
to A. C. Horton  
for  
The Sweney tract.



Memorandum of agreement  
made this twenty ninth day of  
September A.D. 1869 between  
E. W. Morse of the City and County  
of San Diego State of California  
of the first part and A. E. Horton  
of the same place, of the second  
part, witnesseth:

Whereas the party of the first  
part is the owner of an undivided  
one half part of the following  
described ~~property~~ piece, parcel or  
tract of land situated within  
the Pueblo limits of the City of San  
Diego, bounded as follows, viz:—  
Commencing at a point one  
hundred and twenty five feet  
due East of the North East Corner  
of Block number twelve as  
designated on the map of New  
San Diego made by A. B. Gray  
thence due North (North) one hundred  
varas thence due East four hundred  
varas, thence due South one hundred  
varas more or less to low water  
marks of the shore of the Bay of San  
Diego, thence westerly along said  
low water marks to a point due  
South of the point of starting, and  
thence due North to the place of  
beginning.

And whereas it is for the best  
interest and convenience of the  
said parties, that the party of the



second part should have the control for sale of the afore said property and to make conveyances thereof.

The following points are agreed to by and between the contracting parties.

1<sup>st</sup> The party of the second part agrees to sell the lots contained within the aforesaid tract of land as laid down upon the map of Nortons' addition, at their market value for cash only at such times and in such manner as in his judgement shall seem best for the interests of the two contracting parties and to pay to the party of the first part within three days after said sale, one half the price thereof.

2<sup>d</sup> The party of the second part shall convey to the party of the first part or his order any lot or lots selected by the party of the first part for that purpose, upon payment of one half the value thereof to the said party of the second part.

3<sup>d</sup> The party of the first part in consideration of the foregoing agrees to convey to the party of the second part all his right title and interest in and to the aforesaid tract of land.

4<sup>th</sup> This contract shall be terminated at the option of either party by his delivering a written request to that

effect, to the other party, and thereupon the party of the second part shall convey to the party of the first part one half of all the lots and lands in the afore mentioned tract of land, remaining unsold, the said one half to be of equal value with the one half retained by the said party of the second part.

5<sup>th</sup> It is understood and agreed that in case the parties can not agree upon the value of the lot or lots to fulfill the provisions of article second and fourth, an arbitrator shall be chosen by each party, which said arbitrators shall choose a third arbitrator and their decision shall be final and binding on both parties.

Witness our hands and seals this ~~10th~~ 10<sup>th</sup> day of ~~Jan~~ Jan first above written

In presence of  
W. Anonby

E. W. Morse  
A. E. Horton



Contract  
between  
A. E. Norton & E. W. Morse

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1<sup>st</sup> Convey my interest to Horton

2<sup>d</sup> Horton to pay over to me one half of all sales when made

3<sup>d</sup> No sales to be made without my consent

4<sup>th</sup> In case I wish to take for myself any particular lot or lots their value shall be estimated by us and one half thereof shall be paid by me to Horton. In case we can not agree upon the value each shall appoint one person & they another and the three shall set the value.

5<sup>th</sup>

6<sup>th</sup> At any time upon my request to do so Horton shall convey to me a one half undivided interest in all lots and lands of said tract remaining unsold or at my option, one half of all the lots and lands remaining unsold as equally as possible according to value the value to be estimated by three appraisers appointed as in sec 4.



being even date

The Party of the first part agrees to convey by deed, to the party of the 2<sup>d</sup> part all his interest in and to that certain tract of land bounded <sup>as demised</sup> as follows for the sum of \$1000-

The party of the second part shall convey to the party of the first part or to any other person whom the party of the first part shall designate any lot or lots selected by the party of the first part for that purpose upon payment of one half the value of said lot or lots the value to be appraised by —

This contract shall be terminated at the option of either party by his giving a written notice of his request <sup>to the other party</sup> and thereupon the party of the second part shall convey to the party of the first part one half of all the lots and lands remaining unsold to be divided as equally as possible by the aforesaid arbitrators appointed as before



I, A. E. Horton of San Diego in the state of California, hereby lease to James W. Witham of the same place for the term of one year, to commence on the twenty-seventh day of December A. D. 1869 such portions of Lots "F<sub>1</sub>" and "F<sub>2</sub>" as are situated above high water mark, in Block numbered or lettered "A" lying between Front and First streets, according to the map of Horton's Addition to San Diego made by James Pascoe, for the monthly rent of ten dollars, gold coin to be paid monthly in advance on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of each month.

Said James W. Witham agrees to pay A. E. Horton said rent at the times above specified, to surrender the premises at the expiration of said term, and to occupy them exclusively for the purposes of Boat-building.

In witness whereof the parties to this agreement have hereto set their hands this

It is further understood that in case any change should hereafter be made in the size or location of said lots heretofore described, by reason of the



opening a street or streets parallel to  
the water front, the same amount of  
land as near as conveniently may be  
in said lots shall be leased and taken  
by the said parties, to conform to the  
change

Witness our hands this  
thirty first day of December 1869  
A. E. Horton  
James W. Witham

Lease

A. E. Horton

James W. Witham



Memorandum of a agreement  
made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September  
A.D. 1869 between C.W. Moore of the  
City and County of San Diego State of  
California party of the first part and  
A.E. Norton of the same place party  
of the second part, witnesseth.

Whereas the party of the first part is  
the owner of an undivided one half  
interest in the following described  
property situated within the Pueblo  
limits of the City of San Diego and  
described as follows. Commencing

2 and whereas it is for the convenience  
and interest of both parties that  
the party of the second part should  
have the control for sale of the  
said property and to ~~give~~ conveyances  
thereof

1 and whereas the party of the first part  
holds conveyances from certain parties  
for an undivided  $\frac{13}{16}$  of said property

The following points are agreed to  
by and between the contracting parties

24 The <sup>money received from</sup> sales of lots shall be equally divided  
between the two parties to this contract

3 The party of the second part agrees to  
sell said lots at their market value.



for cash only

and such terms and in such manner as in his judgment shall seem best for the interests of the two contracting parties, and to pay to the party of the first part within three days after its receipt one half the price

~~In case I wish to take for myself any lot or lots, their value shall be estimated and one half their value shall be paid by the party of the first part to the party of the second part~~

The party of the second part shall convey to the party of the first part or his order, any lot or lots selected by the party of the first part for that purpose upon payment of one half the value thereof to said party of the second part.

The party of the first part in consideration of the foregoing agrees to convey to the party of the second part all his right title and interest in and to the aforesaid property.

It is understood and agreed that in case the parties can not agree upon the value of the lot or lots an arbitrator shall be chosen by each party which said arbitrators shall choose a third and their decision shall be final & binding on both parties



		Amount	Profit	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount
114	C	400.00					200.00
Interest in	D	400					200
	E	400					200
	F	500					250
	115	A					
	B						
	C						
	D	500					
	E						
	F	500	500	00	100		
	G	500					250
	H	400					200
	I	400					200
	J	200					100
	K	200					100
	L	200					100
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116	A						
	B						
	C						
	D						
	E						
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	G	500					250 00
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amount  
 due to  
 E W Moore

120

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121

Interest in

A  
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140

Interest in

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amount  
 due to  
 E W Moore



Copies of  
papers given Hosten  
Dec 2/69

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Being a/c of sales  
of Lots on Sweeney trust  
se + accounts



Dec 2<sup>d</sup> 1869

copy

Lot	Block	Sold	
I	115		\$400
<sup>1/2</sup> J	115		200
G	115		500
HH	115		400
F	116		500
C <sub>1</sub>	116		500
L <sub>1</sub>	120		<u>500</u>
			\$3000.

Contracted

F	115	100	
C <sub>1</sub>	117	100	200.

1/8 interest in sales

D	114	400
E	114	400
F	114	500
A	121	500
B	121	400
C	121	400
D	121	400
F	121	<u>500</u>

25 feet = 1/4

\$3500 - 1/4 is

875  
 2) 4075.  
 \$ 2037.50



Horton

\$1557.

6000 Block 17

\$7557.

Morse

Blocks 162 & 163 8 lots

\$4000.

" 159 7 1/2

3500

\$7500.

\$7557

Blocks 162 & 163

4000.

4 lots on #11 8+7+9+1

1400.

Block 165

1800.

7600



Horton  
owes me

{ \$ 1557.  
6000 - - Block 17 @ 500 per lot  
\$ 2557,

Morse

I offer to take  
Block 162 + 163 9 lots @ \$ 600,  
\$ 5400.  
4 lots on FF 1800 @ 400 + 500  
2200

165 @

Felted not this way however



offer to Horton  
for settlement



March 29<sup>th</sup>

I decided to I da push lot III of  
Block 116 for Horton he  
conveying to me lot J of some  
Blocks. He having made mistake in putting  
his name on it & in the division



Ida Jewell

458



More

C	115
E # I	116
C D E F	117
E F	A
A B	118
L K I H C	119
E F	120
* A	140

Horton

E	115
C D J	116
H I J	117
C D	A
J K L	118
A B C D E	119
B C D	120
A K L	141

\* for 37.4 feet of A B + C 1/140

Reprinted  
List

Old reprinted  
by Horton

B C D A B C

E # A K L



\* III changed afterwards to \* II } 2<sup>d</sup> list  
 by record to Ida Jack +  
 III return to me

Morse

115 \*C  
 116 \*E \*~~II~~ \*II  
 117 \*C \*D \*E  
 120 \*F  
 120 ~~A~~ \*C \*D  
 118 \*A \*B \*A  
 119 \*K \*J  
 118 \*K \*II  
 119 \*C  
 120 \*E

Norton

E  
 115 C D J  
 116 H I J  
 117 F  
 117 C D  
 A E F  
 A I  
 118 B C D E  
 119 B C  
 119 H  
 119 B  
 120



Division was made  
according to this list

Horton agreeing to pay me  
cash \$125<sup>00</sup> (half price) for  
my interest in lots A, B, C  
of Block 140

I had told him I would  
sell for half price to  
raise money & he said  
he would give me half  
price for my interest in  
these lots before the bill  
passed July - 1871

He did not however  
but to make him keep  
his word afterwards  
I was compelled to  
let him have it

Horton  
Aunt  
of  
Mrs  
on  
division  
as made  
Dec 1/70  
and dated July 1871  
in March III of 116 was  
changed to D of 116



Get Norton to sign contract  
for Sweeney Tract

also agreement of Hotel  
I put in \$5000. and the last  
1 foot rise of foundation



Write to Lambert

Sam<sup>l</sup> Storer

Make up rows of





Sunday, October 24, 1869.

Wetmore Sweeney tract

7	lots	in	Block	A	
8	"	"	"	"	117
8	"	"	"	"	116
8	"	"	"	"	115
12	"	"	"	"	120
10	"	"	"	"	119
3	"	"	"	"	118
1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	"	"	"	"	121
4	"	"	Blocks	140	}
				121	
				114	
<hr/>					
61 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>					

these are marked on Register x



Wednesday, February 10, 1869.

Paid Horton for having  
Mrs M<sup>r</sup> lot 18 ✓ Grubbed & Co



A. E. Horton

Poor cilly fool, see Caggan's  
card in to-days bulletin April 2<sup>d</sup>  
where he boasts you are his tool  
that he got you to advocate <sup>no</sup> ~~no~~ ~~no~~  
and can yuse you any time  
it is all true

he prints this card to disgust your  
frinds and defete yure election



Horton



Commencing at the S. E. Corner of Lot 1145  
 and running westerly on the line of said lot  
 40 rods or thereabouts thence westerly to the line  
 of Middletown thence <sup>southwesterly</sup> along the line of Middletown  
 to the south line of said lot thence easterly along  
 said line to the place of beginning

			265.00
		Bnd.	10
	21.85		<hr/>
	77		255.00
	<hr/>		20
116.82	152.95		<hr/>
5	152.95		235.
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111.82	16.8245		<hr/>
	100		\$123.22
	<hr/>		
	\$116.82		

*See over*



Horton

to get from Bush 10.00

Morse 20.00

He pays to Breed & Chase 123.22<sup>00</sup>

" paid me Coin 95.00

~~\$20 Int Note @ 7%~~

~~$\frac{1.85}{21.85}$  Intent 1~~

~~16.82<sup>00</sup>~~

~~265.04~~

~~He is paid too much~~

~~as I should have paid for the \$20 Note only 77<sup>c</sup> without intent  
which would be~~

~~15.40~~

~~and for the land 20 acres for~~

~~on second consideration I think not  
as the land cost more than 20<sup>00</sup>~~

only \$10



copy

Lots still unsold Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 1870 on Jimmy tract

Block	Lot	Remarks	Blk	Lot	Remarks
115	C		119	<del>F</del>	
	E			G	
116	C			H	
	D			I	
	E			K	197
	H		120	B	199
	I			C	201
	J			D	
117	C			E	
	D			F	
	E		140	A	274 of 37/1000
	F			B	this block
	H			C	202
	I			D	
	J		141	A	
A	C			K	
	D			L	
	E				
	F				
118	A				
	B				
	J				
	K				
	L				
119	A				
	B				
	C				
	D				
	E				

Neither the lots in 140 and 141 were divided but I sold  
 Horton of B.C. in 140 and he had sold to Young of K.L. of 141  
 for \$1000.

Pascos Map

B whole block



copy Lots still unsold on the 31st Dec 1/80

Block	Lot	Remarks	Block	Lot	Remarks
<del>197</del>	<del>whole</del>		196	J	
191	A			K	
	B			L	
	C	Sold to Morrison	197		whole Block
	D		199		" "
	I		201	G	
	J			H	
	K			I	
	L			J	
192	C			K	
	D			L	
	I		202	A	
	J			B	
	K			E	
	L			F	
195	A			G	
	B			H	
	C			I	
	D			J	
	I			K	
	J			L	
	K		196 1/4		whole Block (partial)
	L		196 1/2		" " "
196	A				
	B				
	C				
	D				
	I				

according to Lockings map







Copy

and amount received therefor

List of lots sold, by A. E. Norton, <sup>on the "Sewery Trust"</sup> under  
and amount <sup>due</sup> ~~Contract with~~ E. W. Morse, as per agreement.

Block	Lot	Price	due Morse		
114	C	400 00	50		
	D	400 00	50		
	E	400 00	50		
	F	500 00	62 50		
115	D	500 00	250		
	F	500 00	250		
	G	500 00	250		
	H	400 00	200		
	I	400 00	200		
	J	400 00	200		
116	F	500 00	250		
	G	500 00	250		
117	G	500 00	250		
119	J	400 00	200		
120	A	500 00	250		
	G	1100 00	550		
	H				
	I			400 00	200
	J			400 00	200
	K			400 00	200
	L	500 00	250		
121	A	500 00	62 50		
	B	400 00	50		
	C	400 00	50		

Total sold \$7900 one half due to  
E. W. Morse is \$3950.00

Total sold in blocks 114 & 121 is  
\$4300 <sup>374 187</sup>/<sub>1000 1000</sub> due more is \$404.10  
\$4754.10

4325

1/2 paid



But over

Block	Lot	Price	
121	D	400 00	4325 50
	E	400 00	50
	F	500 00	62 50
			<del>44750</del>

also

201	A		200
	B		150
	C		150
202	C		150
	D		150
194			<u>1333 33</u>
			<del>6620 43</del>

Copy

List of Lots sold on

Wendling tract

due Mon - \$4754.10

Number 1800 2/10



March 23<sup>d</sup> 1881

I received notice yesterday from Bank of California that my note to Coe was due payable on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

I sent telegram that check for the amount went forward today, & I sent draft on father for \$2333<sup>33</sup>.

Horton let me have the draft on account of the amount he owes me on condition that I return him the money as he wants to pay me in lots and not in money - we had a long talk and I told him, we must not be disgraced, both belonging to the Bank we ought to pay it to day. I expected Coe here did not know he was to leave it with the Bank of California to collect, so I agreed to pay him back the money and take lots for my account.



Horton

afz Coe note  
& money etc





San Diego March 9<sup>th</sup> 1871  
Friend Morse

I never at any time in our acquaintance felt more friendly towards you than now, and on my part purpose to have that feeling perpetuated for life. A misunderstanding has arisen but but nothing worse. When I offered you City property in payment for your interest in Hotel I made this proviso that I could not dispose of my most valuable lots those I considered to be in the vicinity of (South) of the Horton House especially for the reason that I comparatively <sup>half</sup> but a small number left in that vicinity on fifth street & sixth street. Had you asked me the question squarely what will you ~~take~~ sell me half of lot C and lot K Block 61 to apply on Hotel account I should have promptly declined stating a price and repeated to you my objection to selling that property and having it so applied. Had you selected ~~lots~~ in almost any other part of town I should gladly complied with your request





Under the circumstances which your letter explaining I wish to render you all reasonable service to accomplish this I will deed to you Lot K in Block 61 and some other lot in place of 1/2 of Lot C. I do not wish to sell the latter on any conditions as it will assist me in selling my <sup>other</sup> property <sup>by</sup> joining and I need every dollar I can realize from the sale of such property. Should lot K eventually prove to have been sold you will afford me every facility for <sup>any</sup> satisfactory arrangement with such party and deed it to me if necessary in case you decide to accept it on the conditions herein stated

Yours Truly  
A. E. Horton

Horton  
to  
Horton  
March 1877  
of the lot 12 qcs  
to 10% of 10 qcs



This Indenture, Made the second day of

February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy  
one

Between E. W. Morse of the City and County of  
San Diego State of California the party of the first part and  
the Southern Transcontinental Railway Company

the party of the second part, Witnesseth, That the said party of the first part, for  
and in consideration of the sum of one  
Dollars gold coin of the United States of America, to him in hand  
paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged  
has remised, released, and forever quit-claimed, and by these presents does remise, release,  
and forever quit-claim unto the said party of the second part, and to its heirs and  
assigns, all the right, title, interest, estate, claim and demand, both at law and in equity, and  
as well in possession as in expectancy, of the said party of the first part, of, in, and to all  
the certain lot, pieces, or parcels of land, situate, lying, and being in the City and  
County of San Diego State of California, and bounded  
and particularly described as follows, to wit: Ninety six lots in the  
subdivision of Pueblo Lot Number eleven hundred  
and fifty (1150) according to the map of the  
City of San Diego made by Charles H. Poole in 1856  
said ninety six (96) lots to be designated by  
the party of the first part after the survey  
and map dividing said Pueblo Lot into  
blocks, lots and streets shall be finished

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto  
belonging, or in any wise appertaining, and the rents, issues and profits thereof.

To Have and to Hold, all and singular the said premises, together with the appurtenances,  
unto the said party of the second part, its heirs and assigns forever.

In Witness Whereof, the said party of the first part  
has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of



Horton Seiden Books  
in his addition instead  
of this & I decided to  
hoarus in Books in  
in 1150



San Francisco Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 1868

Friend Morse

I saw Gen Rosencrans  
Yesterday he says he had made an offer  
for that large Ranch, that he would not give any  
more it was the last <sup>offer</sup> he should make  
There is a report <sup>here</sup> that Coolidge is working against  
my interest ~~there~~ and that the people of San Diego  
had joined him in so doing, if that is the case  
please inform me. Since I bought <sup>in</sup> San Diego I have done  
all that I could to get men of wealth & influence  
to become interested there. I cannot see how any one  
can work against my interest without injuring San  
Diego. As for Coolidge I do not wish to injure him  
in the least, a short time before he went down a  
man who was acquainted with him East, said to me  
you had better summer & winter him, before you put  
to much confidence in him, he may turn out better  
here than he did east, there a curse seemed to follow  
every thing he had connection with. I feel satisfied  
he will play him self out there the same as he has here,  
had it not been for a lady friend of my Wifes who spoke  
in his favor. I should not have made his acquaintance



There is a Man here <sup>By the name of</sup> Richster he wants to get a situation  
Clerk in a Store he speaks German and Spanish, he has  
been in the business three or four years he is a temperate  
honest & honorable man, I can recommend him as such  
to you, if you should want such a man please write  
immediately as he is out of a situation & would like to  
know as soon as convenient

Mr Hooper the man that furnishes Somerville Caruthers  
Lumber said he was loading a Ship with lumber for San  
- Diego and thought he should <sup>send</sup> probably send another load  
I do not know when I shall come down. I have bought  
that boat of C. E. Pudd. I shall send down two men to  
survey my Town ~~plott~~ I shall go to the Surveyor Gen office  
and get a copy of the map of the Pueblo Lands of San Diego.  
You have probably seen several men that I have sent  
down as I have not heard from them since they  
went down, I refered them to you. What disposition  
have you made with the land that was advertised for  
Sale. Pleas write

Yours Truly  
A. E. Horton

A. E. Horton  
Oct 20/67



Lot of 10 acres  
not assessed

Previous to Oct 13

Commencing at the N.E. corner of Pueblo lot eleven (1150) and running then southerly along the East line of said Pueblo lot six (660) feet thence westerly parallel with the north line of said lot six (660) feet thence northerly parallel with the East line of said lot (660) feet to the north line of said lot thence easterly along said north line 660 feet to the place of Commencement being ten acres in the W.E. Cor of said lot containing 10 acres

Received from E. W. Morse a deed for ten acres in Pueblo lot 1150 being the consideration for certain blocks of land deeded to the Transcontinental Railway Co by me in behalf of said Morse



Description  
of the 10 acres  
to Harton in 1850

400  
600  
1000

375

275  
40  
1100  
~~~~~



Commencing at the North East corner of Pueblo Lot  
1150 and running thence &c

reserving and excepting therefrom all those certain  
lots or blocks of Land described in a certain conveyance made  
by the party of the first part to the said party of the first part dated  
and acknowledged on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D. 1874



//  
200  
2200



Quit Claim

Commencing at the North East corner of Pueblo Lot 1150 and running thence southerly along the east line of said Pueblo Lot 660 feet thence ~~southerly~~ westerly parallel with the north line of said lot 660 feet thence northerly parallel with the east line of said lot 660 feet to the north line of said lot thence easterly along said north line 660 feet to the place of beginning being ten acres in the North East corner of said lot as described

Provided nevertheless that nothing herein shall affect the conveyance made by the party of the second part to the party of the first part <sup>on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1874</sup> of eight blocks & fractional blocks in said Pueblo Lot 1150, by deed dated the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1874



Horton  
Duit claim



I, E. W. Moore of the City and County of San Diego in the State of California in consideration of two hundred dollars Do hereby grant to A. E. Horton of the same place all that real property situated in the City and County of San Diego State of California, bounded & described as follows:

Commencing at the North East Corner of Pueblo lot number eleven hundred and fifty (1150) according to the map of the Pueblo Lands of the City of San Diego made by Charles H. Poole in the year A. D. 1856 and running thence southerly along the East line of said Pueblo lot six hundred and sixty feet (660) thence westerly and parallel to the North line of said lot six hundred and sixty <sup>(660)</sup> feet to the North line of said lot and thence easterly along said North line six hundred and sixty <sup>(660)</sup> feet to the place of commencement, and containing ten acres.

Witness my hand this fifteenth day of May

A. D. 1873

E. W. Moore

signed & executed in presence of  
J. W. Hitchcock

Recorded Book 20 p 345-



Copy of Seed from  
E. W. Mann  
to  
A. B. Hester  
of ten acres in 1150



Horton Deed to lot on Hill  
" " Sweeney trust & title land

{ He has received cash for the 8 feet in lots B. of  
each block } <sup>1K</sup>

I never agreed to assist in so costly a building

you early said you would pay me back & pay  
that time I was never consulted

I never wanted to go into it am sorry that  
I ever did - too many sleepless nights -

you offered me half & you know why I refused because  
it might invalidate your title



Worton  
Memoranda



I take in more money than you do at the  
Banks, Horton said. I suppose you will  
start a Bank of your own

Horton and I am going to bring down 2 Iron  
posts.

I afterwards pursued Shephard & he  
did not deny it. I said he had better be left out of the herd of  
would lose - <sup>his</sup> <sup>native</sup> - <sup>then</sup> <sup>sheep</sup> & Shephard said that was the way he  
Horton said he would make \$10000 out of  
that 40 acres.

2<sup>d</sup> - *[Faint handwritten text, possibly describing a field or land]*

It sold for

Mr. Lamm sold 100 acres of land  
above his field at 150 per acre



Memorandum

Thursday

Morning

1/10/1



The north line is 100 feet south of the south line of Pacific street or 475 feet south of Commercial street which on Horlons is 475 feet south of H St street, which makes it 95 feet south of H street

See below

It commences 45 feet east of the West line of Block A and runs to a point 25 feet east of the East line of 4<sup>th</sup> street

calculating a vara 2.75-

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The Surveyor Gen<sup>l</sup>'s instructions are that a vara is 278.1

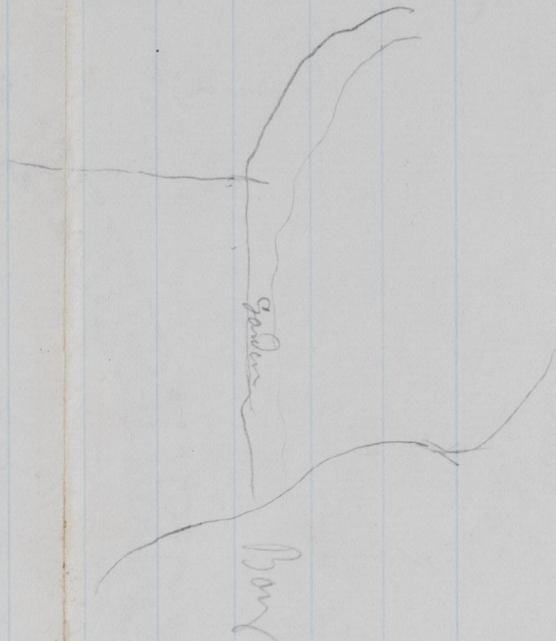
and on this basis the north line is 92 feet south of H St but 8 feet in each of the 8 lots B & K is about equal to the 45 feet in Block A.

The West line of the tract is 45 feet East of the West line of Block A

The East line of the tract is 37.4 feet East of the East line of 4<sup>th</sup> street so that I should have  $\frac{374}{1000}$  of the price of lots here



Measurements  
and  
Calculations  
on the  
Sweeney tract





Horton Received money from  
a great many

Paid to do do

and no record on books



Horton

Private Mem<sup>o</sup>.



Horner asked them why  
they did not establish a  
bank down there



Bold

Seale 4000. 2000

Hotel foundation  
" Bricks

De Wolf Lot



# GRANT AND COLFAX.



BY COLFAX



Norton

Cash receipts since 25<sup>th</sup>  
December 1869 to 18<sup>th</sup>  
March 1870. \$15,829.

During the year 1869 \$45,000



Copy of a/c sent to W. Horton

Dec 2<sup>o</sup> 69

Sold 3200 4/15 1600

Contract 100

Cash paid you by Wilson 1333.33

Salary per June 21<sup>st</sup> to }  
Nov 21<sup>st</sup> } 250.00

from sale of pasture lots  
in blocks 114 121 3500 = 437.50

3720.83

Cr paid N. O. 1200

Out 25 cash loaned 500


Nov 17 " " 400

Dinks 496 @ 4% = 22.32

Hotel's Home 1 mo. 10.00

bal 1588.51 0.52.51  
26  
- 5.11




 calling attention to the 31ST FINANCIAL STATEMENT of this veteran Com-  
 pany, it may not be out of place to state, that for twelve years the old PHENIX  
 has stood by and furnished protection to the insuring public of this coast, and  
 in the discharge of its obligations to its patrons has paid 531 claims for loss, ag-  
 gregating \$351,604.55. Feeling convinced the public were ever willing to pay  
 a good price for a choice article of indemnity, we have always demanded ade-  
 quate rates, declining to compete with reckless, weak and speculative concerns ;  
 on the other hand we have protested against exorbitant charges, or any system  
 of business making such charges necessary, and the patronage received is evi-  
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 been appreciated in a most substantial manner.

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For 9 years of

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For additional protection of policy holders.

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| For 1862—January 1, Cash Assets, | \$ 500,701.73 |
| “ 1863 “ “ “ “                   | 545,896.46    |
| “ 1865 “ “ “ “                   | 656,818.03    |
| “ 1866 “ “ “ “                   | 981,974.91    |
| “ 1867 “ “ “ “                   | 1,006,790.33  |
| “ 1868 “ “ “ “                   | 1,103,468.35  |
| “ 1869 “ “ “ “                   | 1,259,012.84  |
| “ 1870 “ “ “ “                   | 1,467,835.60  |
|                                  | 1,681,148.86  |



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XXXIst Statement

OF THE

PHENIX

Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn.

|                                                     |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Cash on hand, in Bank, and due from Agents,         | \$174,973.91           |
| United States Securities,                           | 163,060.00             |
| Loans on approved Securities,                       | 169,050.00             |
| New York Bank Stocks,                               | 90,250.00              |
| Hartford Bank Stocks,                               | 433,420.00             |
| Miscellaneous Bank Stocks,                          | 447,750.00             |
| Bonds—State, City, Railroad and Water,              | 467,300.00             |
| State Stocks—Ohio, Missouri, Tennessee and Alabama, | 132,085.00             |
| Accumulated Interest,                               | 6,259.95               |
| <b>Assets at Market Value,</b>                      | <b>\$ 1,681,148.86</b> |

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Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1869 I paid Chase \$1200.00  
borrowed from Horton \$200<sup>00</sup>

Nov 17 I paid Chase bal due 624.27

Dec 18 I gave Horton my receipt for the \$1000<sup>00</sup> <sup>borrowed</sup> apr taxes  
on Dec 14<sup>th</sup> and the \$400 of Nov 17<sup>th</sup> see day book

Dec Note how are the endorsements

Jan 12, 1870

issued by Horton.

Was the bill due Chase of \$197.10 for charged to me, paid me by H.

Sept 13 sold Horn in old town for \$1250

Notes paid  
whole paid me

1500



Horton

Mem

of a/c

412 10



Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1872 Horton says he wants me to deed  
those ten acres. says his blocks I deeded  
to the Transcontinental are worth \$1000<sup>00</sup>  
at least to day.

says if Gatewood gets them back  
he will give me the acres & he take the  
blocks.

said he didn't know Gatewood talked  
of commencing suit to annul those deeds  
didn't think it advisable

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San Diego,



SAN DIEGO.

E. W. MORSE, Agent,

R. H. MAGILL, Manager, San Francisco.

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control of





Horton

*[Faint, illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*



EMERALD BRAND  
E. W. MORSE, AGENT





Mr Horton

at what price will you  
sell me the south half of Lot "C"  
in Block 61 \$ 400

also Lot "K" of Block 61 \$ 600 if not sold

I mean the price to day, not after the bill passes.

E. W. Morse

I then sold 1/2 of both to B Hovee for \$ 300.



Hortons offer of  
Lots 11 & 12  
Block 61



March 8/71

I had purchased from Mr Horton 1 1/2 lots  
for \$1000 according to contract

and today I asked <sup>Shepherd</sup> for the 2<sup>d</sup> time  
if Horton had signed the deed  
Shepherd said Horton asked him if I  
said how I was to pay him or as  
though there was some misunderstanding  
I told him there was none, he fully  
understood it.

I then found Horton half an hour  
afterward at his office, and asked him  
if he would sign that deed now  
well he says how is it about the payment  
you dont expect me to let you have  
my best lots for the money you put  
into the Hotel, and I consider them  
my best lots

More Why didnt you tell me so then  
when I asked you the price?

Horton How did I know how you were  
going to pay me?

More you knew very well I had no  
other way to pay you It was well understood

Horton I didnt know but you would pay  
me with Bank notes or in <sup>your</sup> that way

you knew very well it was on that  
account and was ready to make out the  
Deed if the bill hadnt failed

More But will you make the deed or  
not

Horton I will not

More very well & I left.



Horton



March 9<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Horton

on yesterday when you objected to sign the deed for  $\frac{1}{2}$  of lot C + lot K in Block 61 I was so completely taken by surprise that I lost my temper and did not explain the facts to you as I otherwise should have done.

They are these: some ten days ago I handed you at the bank a paper upon which was written the following:

at what price will you sell me the south half of lot C in Block 61 also lot K of Block 61

Your answer in figures was for the first \$400 and for the other \$600 if not sold

I saw you the next morning and told you I would take them and asked Shepherd in your presence to make out the deed, you assenting to it, and on the several occasions that we conversed about it when trying to discover whether K had been sold or not, you always tacitly acknowledged the sale. I therefore had no doubt of your signing the deed.

My object in purchasing was to raise some money, and on the same day I offered the same lots to several different parties for \$700 and on a credit of 30 days and could find no purchaser, but finally Mr. Howard offered me \$300 for one half the lots and I accepted his proposition for I needed the money.

Of course since the bill has failed the lots are worth more money, but it is not



that I care for a few dollars more or less  
but because I have sold to Mr Howard &  
I wish to keep my word, and rather than  
perpetrate it would prefer to pay you \$1000.  
for the help I sold him.

I can not imagine how you could  
think I <sup>was to</sup> could pay you for these lots in  
Bank Stock or any other way while you  
were owing me several thousand dollars  
and when I had just offered to sell lots  
at half price as you well knew to raise  
some money.

I did not ask you "what you would  
sell those lots for" but what will you  
sell them to me for underscoring me  
so that there might be no doubt that  
I myself wanted them on account of  
what you owed me.

I do not wish Mr Horton to  
feel unfriendly to you - we have always been  
friends, and I know that you never  
had a truer friend to your <sup>self & your</sup> interests than  
myself

*subd*  
*ben* you came here a stranger and found a  
friend in me and I have experienced your  
gratitude for the favors I then rendered you  
in making your first purchase, we have  
always been so I think we should continue to work  
together for the good of the place  
Let us continue friends by settling this  
matter amicably



Hoster would have given any body else  
a block for coming down here with the  
Express.



Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

I talked with Horton to day, told him I wished he would let us have those lots, that Howard felt quite sore about it I liked him and wanted to keep my word with him &c.

Horton said he had an opportunity to sell C with his other lot & he wanted to get out of debt as soon as possible by paying them

after considerable talk Horton finally agreed to let us have it

but asked me to let him have my interest in lots A B & C of Block 140 for \$125<sup>00</sup> & I told him I would do it but said I it is worth now \$1000<sup>00</sup> but says he I don't sell any higher well all right

He then gave me the lots that I offered him at half price before the bill passed for \$125<sup>00</sup> and he accepted

He gave me the \$125<sup>00</sup> and I gave him a receipt expressing for what

It was terribly mean He got for \$125<sup>00</sup> what is to day worth from \$500 to \$1000 because I wanted to keep my word with Howard & he had backed out of his word



Private Memorandum  
of Business with  
A. E. Horton

Horton offered to let me  
in equally with him in  
his franchise and I  
refused as it would cast  
reflections on his title