

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**



**The State of Nebraska,**





*Scotts Bluff* County, ss.

**B**E it Remembered, That at a Term of the District Court holden in and for said County, in *Gering Nebraska* therein, on the *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *May* in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and *Ninety six* was present the Honorable *H. H. Grimes* sole presiding Judge, *E. J. Nuttall* Sheriff of said County, and *C. W. Tom* Clerk of said Court, when the following, among other proceedings, were had, to-wit:

*Maria Beaton*  
 A Native of *England* and at present residing within said State, appeared in open Court and made application to be admitted to become

**A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES**

And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that she had declared on oath, before the Clerk of the District Court, *Nebraska* a Court of Record having common law jurisdiction, and using a seal, two years at least before his admission, that it was bona-fide his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State, or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to *Victoria Queen of England and France* of whom she was heretofore a *subject*; and said applicant having declared on oath, before this Court, that she will support the Constitution of the United States, and that she doth absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State, or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to the Power above named; the Court being satisfied that said applicant has resided within the United States for the term of five years next preceding his admission, without being at any time during the said five years out of the Territory of the United States, and within this State one year at least; and it further appearing to the satisfaction of this Court, that during that time she has behaved as a *person* of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

Whereupon, it is Ordered by the Court, That the said *Maria Beaton* be and she is hereby admitted to become a citizen of the United States.

In Testimony Whereof, *C. W. Tom* Clerk of the Court aforesaid, have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court, at my office in *Gering* in said County, *May 7<sup>th</sup>* 18*96*

*C. W. Tom*  
Clerk of the District Court.