

Know all Men by these Presents, That, whereas the City of Cambridge, a corporation duly established under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, has caused the grade of North Avenue in the City of Cambridge, in the County of Middlesex, in said Commonwealth, to be lowered, and said Avenue to be cut down in front of the estate of Walcott Richardson, of said Cambridge, yeoman, and whereas the said City has agreed with said Richardson, by John Sargent, the Mayor of said City, therunto duly authorized by a vote of the Mayor and Aldermen of said City, as the Surveyors of Highways, - to grade the sidewalks in front of the estate of said Richardson, to construct two driveways from said Avenue to said estate, the one just South Easterly of said Richardson's barn, and the other just South Easterly of the most South Easterly of his two dwelling houses, and to build a dry bank wall along the front of said estate between said two driveways, with a proper corner turned at each end of said wall, and to build said wall from four to four and a half feet in height, according as the grade of said estate shall, in

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Agreement,

Walcott Richardson
and

City of Cambridge.

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the judgment of the Superintendent of Streets for said City require, and to leave two openings therein for the erection of steps leading to said houses, (which steps are to be erected by said Richardson,) and to grade the land of said Richardson with a proper slope to the top of said wall, to reset the present fence of said Richardson nearly in a level with the sidewalks, along that part of the front of said estate South East of the most South East of said driveways above mentioned, and to grade back the land of said Richardson from said fence with a proper slope, replacing the mound which shall be removed in so doing, upon the face of said slope:—

Now, in consideration of the premises and of one dollar to me paid by said City, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I, the said Walcott Richardson, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, have remised, released and forever quitclaimed, and by these presents do remise, release and forever quitclaim unto the said City of Cambridge, all and all manner of actions and actions, causes and causes of actions, trespasses, controversies, damages, claims and demands whatsoever, both at law and in equity, which

against the said City I ever had, now have, or which I, my heirs, executors or administrators, can or may have, claim, or demand, for or by reason or means of the said alteration in the grade of said North Ave. and, or any act, matter, cause or thing connected with the same.

Provided always, that unless the said City shall fulfil and perform the above mentioned agreement by said City with me made, by the above named John Sargent, within a reasonable time from the date hereof, then these presents shall be null and void; otherwise shall be and remain in full force and effect.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight-hundred and fifty-nine.

Signed, sealed and

delivered in presence of
Justin A. Jacobs. *Walcott Richardson*