

District Court, Madison County,  
August term 1869 - August 31<sup>st</sup> 1869 -

Manning F. Hart

vs

Chloe Squires, Milton C. Munger,  
Mary C. Munger, Thos S. Bunch,  
Jane Bunch & Jno. P. D. Wagoner

No 378, Chancery

Decree confirming title  
in Hart.

Now on this day comes the plaintiff by his Attorney and the Court having heretofore granted a default against all of said defendants, proceeds now to the trial of said cause, whereupon the plaintiff introduces his testimony and submits the cause to the Court. - And the Court being fully advised in the premises finds that the equity of the cause is with the plaintiff. That defendant Chloe Squires permitted defendant Milton C. Munger to own and control Military Land Warrant No Ninety six thousand six hundred and Ninety six (96696) to locate said land warrant in the name of said Chloe Squires, but for the benefit of the said Milton C. Munger, upon the South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section Thirteen (13) in Township seventy six (76) North of Range Twenty seven (27) West in the County of Madison and State of Iowa,

That said defendant Chloe Squires freely and voluntarily permitted the said defendant Milton C. Munger to own and control said Real Estate, and that the said Milton C. Munger with the knowledge, consent and permission of said Chloe Squires did on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D. 1866, sell and convey said Real Estate by a good and sufficient Warranty Deed to defendant Thomas S. Bunch. - That Thomas S. Bunch sold and conveyed said Real Estate to defendant Jno. P. D. Wagoner and that said defendant Jno. P. D. Wagoner afterwards sold and conveyed said Real Estate to Plaintiff. - That defendants Mary C. Munger and Jane Bunch relinquished their dower to said Real Estate. - That said defendant Chloe Squires ought in equity and good conscience to have conveyed said Real Estate by a good and sufficient Warranty Deed to said Milton C. Munger. - That all of the other defendants as well as the Plaintiff had just cause from the circumstances to believe Milton C. Munger the rightful owner of said land, and that in Equity the title of said Real Estate is now in said plaintiff - It is therefore considered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the said plaintiff is the equitable owner of said Real Estate and that as against said defendants their heirs and assigns he hold said Real Estate as fully as though the conveyance from said Chloe Squires to said Milton C. Munger had been regularly made and recorded; And that the said Real Estate is hereby declared vested in the said plaintiff in fee simple. - It is further

considered by the Court that depts. recover of plff. their costs herein.  
 It is therefore ordered and adjudged that plff. have and recover of  
 depts. their costs herein expended taxed to sixteen & <sup>3</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars and  
 that execution issue therefor.

State of Iowa } ss  
 Madison County } I, D. C. Cooper Clerk of the District Court  
 in and for said County do hereby certify that  
 above is a full true and complete transcript of the Decree in said  
 cause, as the same remains of Record in my office.

Witness my hand & the Seal of said Court, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1870

"L.S."

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D. C. Cooper Clerk  
 District Court

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O. A. Meuser Recorder