

J.N. Gordon (Filed for Record Aug. 25th A.D. 1907 at 2:30 o'clock P.M.
to) Affidavit (E.F. Connoran, Recorder.
The Public) (Recording By Irene E. Connoran, Deputy.

State of Iowa, Madison County:--as.

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I, J.N. Gordon, of said County and State, on oath say that I have been a resident of Madison County, Iowa, continuously for fifty six years last past. That I was well and personally acquainted with James T. Bertholf, the patentee of the North west quarter of the north east quarter of section twenty three (23), in township seventy five (75) north, of range twenty nine (29), west of the 5th P.M., Iowa, and that the spelling of his name in the record of the patent to said land as Bartholf is a clerical error; that he was James T. Bertholf, and the same man who afterwards executed a conveyance of said land to Peter Welty; that I have been well and personally acquainted with Andrew M. Hart, the patentee of the south east quarter of the south east quarter of section fourteen (14), and the north east quarter of the north east quarter of section twenty three (23), in the township and range aforesaid, for over fifty years last past, and that said Andrew M. Hart is the same man as the A.M. Hart who afterwards conveyed said land to A.A. Ihde. That I was well and personally acquainted with James Simmons, who on or about the 27th day of December, A.D. 1856, conveyed unto John Ettien the south west quarter of the north east quarter of said section twenty three (23), in the township and range aforesaid, the deed of conveyance being recorded in deed record "F" of Madison County, Iowa, at page 243; that said James Simmons was at that time a single and unmarried man; that his true name was James Simmons, and not James Timmons, and that the writing of his name as James Timmons is a clerical error. That said James Simmons was the same man as the James Timmons, who appears on the record as the grantee in a conveyance of the last described tract from Elisha Tumbleson and wife, dated on or about March 4th, 1856, and recorded in deed record "D" of Madison County, Iowa, at page 366; that I have personal knowledge and recollection of the conveyance from said Tumbleson and wife to said Simmons, and from him to Ettien, and know that the man who conveyed said land to Ettien was the same man as the one to whom Tumbleson conveyed; that his true name was James Simmons; that he was a single man, and that his name is erroneously spelled in the records of said deeds only by clerical error and carelessness.

J.N. Gordon

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence by the said affiant this April 22nd, 1907,

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W.S. Cooper
Notary Public, in and for Madison
County, Iowa.