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L.T. Townsend }
to } Affidavit(Filed for Record Sept. 7th A.D. 1911 at 4.00 o'clock P.M.
The Public) George Hill Recorder.
By Daisy Hill Deputy.

State of Iowa Madison County SS:

I, L.T. Townsend, of said County and State, on oath say that I was the husband of Lois L. Townsend to whom John Gates on or about January 1, 1894, executed a mortgage on the South West Quarter of the North East Quarter, and the South East Quarter of the South West Quarter, all in Section Twenty Eight (28) in Township Seventy Five (75) North, of Range Twenty nine (29), West of the 5th P.M. Iowa, to secure the payment of Two Hundred and Fifty (250) Dollars, said mortgage being recorded in mortgage record 30 of Madison County, Iowa, at page 173 thereof. That said Lois L. Townsend died intestate on the seventh day of July, 1899, leaving surviving her four adult children, and myself, her surviving husband; that long prior to the death of said Lois L. Townsend, the said mortgage and the note secured thereby had been by her transferred and assigned to me, and was and remained in my possession, and that at the time of her death she had no interest therein; that said debt was fully paid and satisfied on or about January 4th, 1905, and the said note and mortgage canceled and surrendered to said John Gates, and that at the time I canceled said mortgage of record I had full right and authority to do so, as I was and had been since prior to the death of said Lois L. Townsend, the sole and absolute owner of said mortgage and the note secured thereby; that the estate of said Lois L. Townsend has long since been closed and settled without administration.

L.T. Townsend.

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence by the said affiant this 5 day of Sept. A.D. 1911.

John D. Callison.
Notary Public in and for Madison
County, Iowa.

