

## Miscellaneous Record, No. 18, Madison County

W.G. Dorrell) Filed for record the 10<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. A.D. 1915 at 2:05 o'clock P.M.  
to  
The Public) Afft. Fee \$ ☒ #2507. Jeannette E. Beck, Recorder.

State of Iowa, Madison County, ss. I, W.G. Dorrell, on oath say that I have been a resident of Madison County, Iowa, continuously for more than sixty years last past, and for more than forty years have resided continuously in Winterset, Iowa; that I have been acquainted with the location and ownership of nearly all of the town property in Winterset, Iowa, ever since the town was laid out and platted; that I was personally acquainted with James H. Kemis to whom John A. Pitzer and wife on or about January 31st, 1856, conveyed Lots one (1) and two (2) in Block eight (8) in Pitzer and Knight's Addition to Winterset, Iowa, and that he was the same and identical person as the James H. Kemmis who on or about November 9th, 1856, conveyed the undivided half interest of Lot One (1) in said Block to Samuel N. Minor, and that he was the same and identical person as the James H. Kemmis who joined with said Samuel N. Minor in a conveyance of said Lot on or about February 19, 1857 to Theodore Cox, and that he was the same and identical person as the James H. Kemmis, as the name appears in the record of a deed dated November 6th, 1856, conveying Lot two (2) in said Block to George Vangundy; that Samuel N. Minor, grantee in one of the deeds above mentioned, is the same and identical person as S. N. Minor as his name appears in a conveyance of Lot one (1) in said Block to Theodore Cox dated February 9th, 1856, and I dug a well on said property while owned by Theodore Cox; that George Vangundy, grantee above named, is the same and identical person as the George W. Vangundy who conveyed Lot two (2) in said Block on or about November 6th, 1856 to John Goodwin, and as the George Vangundy to whom John Goodwin and wife on or about January 13th, 1857, re-conveyed said property, and as the G. W. Vangundy who on or about August 10th, 1857, conveyed said Lot two (2) in said Block to Lorenzo N. Clark, and that said Lorenzo N. Clark was the same and identical person as the L. N. Clark who on or about January 19th, 1858, conveyed said Lot to Anderson Simons; that Mahundry Hollingsworth, grantee in a conveyance of said Lot two (2), was the same and identical person as Mahundry Hollingsworth named as the defendant in a suit in the District Court of Madison County, Iowa, wherein Clark & Andrews and W. S. Mudgett & Company were plaintiffs, and M. C. Kunger and Mahundry Hollingsworth were defendants, and that Clark & Andrews was the same and identical firm as the firm whose name appears as Clark & Andrus & Co in further proceedings in said case, the correct name of the firm being Clark & Andrews; that W. S. Mudgett, grantee in a sheriff's deed conveying Lot two (2) in said Block was the same and identical person as William S. Mudgett grantee of Clark & Andrews in a conveyance of said Lot dated on or about January 5th, 1865, and that he was the same and identical person as the William S. Mudgett who on or about January 6th, 1865, conveyed said Lot to S. B. Arnold; that A. H. Amerine grantee in a conveyance of said Lot one (1) in said Block on or about February 4th, 1865, was the same and identical person as A. H. Amerine who on or about August 9th, 1865, conveyed said property to Joseph Iddings; that Francis A. Clopton grantee in a conveyance of Lots one (1) and two (2) in said Block from said Joseph Iddings and wife dated September 21st 1887, was the same and identical person as Frans A. Clopton as his name appears some places in the record of a conveyance from himself and wife to W. O. Cord, dated June 25th, 1889; that the correct name of the grantee in a conveyance of said property from Lida Danforth dated March 15th, 1897, is E. A. Chafa, not E. A. Chofa, the name being misspelled through mistake. That I have been personally acquainted with all of the

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parties herein named, and that the facts above stated are true as I believe. That ever since the conveyance to E.A. Chafa above referred to the said E.A. Chafa and her tenants were in the actual possession of said property; that prior thereto Lida Danforth and her tenants were in the actual possession of said property; that prior to that time Benton Applegate and his tenants were in the actual possession of said property; that prior to that time Andrew Applegate and his tenants were in the actual possession of said property; that prior to that time W.O. Cord was in the actual possession of said property himself; and prior to that time Francis A. Clopton was in the actual possession of said property himself; and that for nearly thirty years last past no person other than those last above named has made or asserted any claim of any right, title or interest of any kind or character whatever, in or to said property, and no other person has been in possession of the same or any part thereof.

W.G. Dorrell,

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence by the said affiant this 10th day of November, 1915.

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

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