

has voluntarily set and dead and they acknowledged that they executed said articles of

Notary Public in and for

E.E. McCall) Filed for record the 25<sup>th</sup> day of Oct A.D. 1918 at 11 o'clock A.M.  
to  
The Public) Afft. Jeannette E. Beck Recorder

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State of Iowa Madison County SS;- I, E.E. McCall, of said County and State, being first duly sworn, upon my oath depose and say that I have been in the Real Estate, Abstract and Loan business, in Madison County, Iowa, for thirty-five years last past. That in the years 1883 to 1886, inclusive, I was associated in said business with one J.W. Graham, who had theretofore had charge of the lands and business connected therewith of one J.H. Atkinson, in Madison County, Iowa, and by reason of such connection, which was continued by the said J.H. Atkinson with the firm of Graham & McCall, I had access to the files of the former correspondence between said parties, which was continued as stated, and know that the said J.H. Atkinson signed his name to letters in such a way that it would ordinarily be read as I.H. Atkinson, as the said Atkinson's formation in writing of his initial letter "J" was the same as that of the ordinary formation of the letter "I" and would ordinarily be read and taken as being I.H. Atkinson instead of J.H. Atkinson.

From which facts and the business association and correspondence aforesaid, I am fully satisfied that the John H. Atkinson, to whom, on November 30th, 1864, was patented Section Sixteen (16), in Township Seventy-four (74) North of Range Twenty-six (26) West of the 5th P.M., as shown by Deed Record O, at page 354 of the records in the office of the Recorder of Madison County, Iowa; the J.H. Atkinson, who, together with M.G. Atkinson, on July 23rd, 1875, by warranty deed conveyed the South Half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast Quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said section township and range to George H. Peak, said deed being recorded at page 272 of Deed Record 11, of the records of said county; the John H. Atkinson, grantee in a certain deed from the Sheriff of Madison County, Iowa, dated May 26th, 1879, which conveyed to him the South Half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast Quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said section, township and range, said deed being recorded at page 152 of Sheriff's Deed Record A, of the records of said county; the I.H. Atkinson who, together with his wife, M.G. Atkinson, on February 7th 1881, conveyed by warranty deed to Nathaniel Hayden said South Half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast Quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said section, township and range, said deed being recorded at page 137 of Deed Record 19 of the records of said county; the J.H. Atkinson, mortgagee in a certain mortgage made and executed by Nathaniel Hayden and wife, Mahala Hayden upon said South Half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast Quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said section, township and range, said mortgage being dated March 1st, 1881 and recorded at page 220 of Mortgage Record 14 of the records of said county and the J.H. Atkinson, the releasor in a certain release executed on October 26th, 1883, releasing said mortgage recorded at page 220 of said Mortgage Record 14, said release being recorded at page 126 of Miscellaneous Record 5, of the records of said county, are one and the same identical person, his full and proper name being John H. Atkinson, and that he usually signed his name using his initials only. I am in no way interested. Further deponent sayeth not.

E.E. McCall.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the above named affiant, this 24th day of October, A.D. 1918

W.E. Griemer  
Notary Public in and for  
Madison County, Iowa.

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