

Miscellaneous Record, No. 19, Madison County

W.G.Dorrell ) to Afft. The Public )	Filed for record the 2 day of February A.D.1920 at 3.35 o'clock P.M. Nettie E. Winship, Recorder Fee .50 \$ 290
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State of Iowa, Madison County SS: I, W.G. Dorrell of said County and State being first duly sworn upon oath depose and say that I am now past 84 years of age, and have been a resident of Madison County, Iowa, continuously for more than 70 years .

That I have been acquainted with the ownership and occupancy of the N $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 30-75-26 for more that fifty years last past, and that neither John Cooper and wife, L.A. Cooper nor H.T. Marriott were ever in possession of the same, and that if any of said persons appear to have acquired or had any title thereto the same has been the result of a clerical error or misdescription. That said John Cooper did own the S $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 30-75-26, in 1879, which land H.T. Marriott conveyed in 1888.

That in the year 1893 Willard Fenimore acquired title to the N $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  and SW $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Said Sec. 30-75-26, that he entered into possession thereof and held the same until he conveyed the same to A.L. Ballard in the spring of the year, 1903; that said A.L. Ballard entered into possession of said last described land and has used, occupied and cultivated the same, received the rents and profits thereof and paid the taxes thereon since said year, 1903, and now holds open, peaceable, notorious, uninterrupted and adverse possession and control of said last described land, and that neither John Cooper, L.A. Cooper nor H.T. Marriott nor any one claiming by, through or under them have ever asserted any right or title in said last described land adverse to the title of said A.L. Ballard and those under whom he claims title since the year 1878.

I further state that I was a resident of Winterset, Iowa, during the year 1868, and was

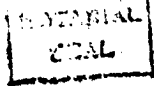
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well acquainted with Thomas Sheridan, grantee in the Warranty Deed recorded in Deed Record "M", page 252 of the records of Madison County, Iowa, dated Feb. 21, 1858 and conveying Lot 5 in Block 4 in Pitzer and Knight's Addition to Winterset, Iowa, and other land, and know that he is the same and identical person as the Thomas Sheridan, plaintiff in a certain action wherein Marit Cunningham and Samuel Smith were defendants, and petition was filed in Madison County, Iowa. Aug. 21, 1858.

I further state that I am in no way interested in the title to the property affected hereby, but make this affidavit at the request of the present owners thereof for the purpose of establishing of record the facts herein stated.

W.G. Dorrell

Subscribed and Sworn to before me by the above named affiant this 2nd day of February, A.D. 1920.



W.F. Craig  
Notary Public in and for Madison County, Iowa.