

Miscellaneous Record, No. 23, Madison County, Iowa

William Beard

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Filed for record the 28 day of February
A.D. 1940 at 9:03 o'clock A.M.

To

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Pearl E. Shetterly, Recorder

The Public

A F F I D A V I T

State of Iowa, Madison County.)S.S.

I, William Beard, of said State and County first being duly sworn upon my oath depose and say that I am the surviving husband of Matilda T. Beard who died seized in fee of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 12-75-29 and I well and personally know that the said (Matilda) T. Beard died intestate on or about the year 1880 leaving surviving her as her husband this affiant, and as her sole and only heir at law C. H. Lancaster, and I further depose and say that I well and personally know that the estate of the said Matilda T. Beard has long since been fully settled and all debts paid, and I further depose and say that I was personally acquainted with James Spears, James P. Dugan, Merinda Dugan, Reed Case and Fannie Case who on May 23rd, 1876 conveyed to me the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 12-75-29 and I well and personally know that on said date the said James Spears was an unmarried man, of lawful age and competent to convey real estate, and that the said James P. Dugan and Merinda Dugan were husband and wife on that date and that the said Reed Case and Fannie Case were husband and wife on said date, to-wit: May 23rd, 1876, and I further depose and say that I was personally acquainted with Augusta C. Dodge and Clara A. Dodge who on April 10th, 1872 conveyed the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 12-75-29 to James Spears, James P. Dugan and Reed Case and I well and personally know that on said date the said Augustus C. Dodge and Clara A. Dodge were husband and wife, and I further depose and say that I was personally acquainted with all the members of the firm of Howell & Merrill to whom I executed a mortgage on February 25th, 1895 for the sum of \$205.30, and I well and personally know that said firm consisted solely and only of C. D. Howell and R. H.

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Merrill and that no person, at any time were interested in said firm and that the said C. D. Howell who on March 20th, 1897 executed a release of said mortgage was on that date one of the firm of Howell & Merrill, R. H. Merrill being the only other member of said firm on that date.

Witness to mark

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William I Beard

mark

NOTARIAL
SEAL
Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 27th day of February A.D. 1904 by
William Beard the affiant herein.

Nelson Bertholf Notary Public