

CHAPTER 352.

ISSUANCE OF PATENT TO ANNA L. EDGAR.

S. F. 328.

AN ACT to confirm the title of Anna L. Edgar to the west one-half (w- $\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter (sw- $\frac{1}{4}$) of section two (2), township eighty-nine (89), north, range thirty-four (34), west 5th P. M. Iowa, and authorize the issuance of a patent therefor.

WHEREAS, the west one-half (w- $\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter (s. w. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section two (2), township eighty-nine (89), north, range thirty-four (34), west 5th P. M. Iowa, was patented by the United States to John R. Hocking on September 20, 1875; and

WHEREAS, one Anna L. Edgar of Story county, Iowa has duly acquired title to said land through said John R. Hocking and his grantees as shown by the records of Calhoun county, Iowa, and has been in open and adverse possession thereof under conveyances executed by said John R. Hocking and his grantees for more than thirty-seven (37) years last past, claiming in good faith to be the absolute owner thereof and has made valuable improvements and paid taxes thereon during all of said time; and

WHEREAS, it also appears from the records of the recorder's office of Calhoun county, Iowa that the United States issued a patent to the state of Iowa conveying said premises, dated November 9, 1888; and

WHEREAS, it appears from the records of the general land office at Washington, D. C., and the records of the land office of the state of Iowa that said premises was not so patented by the United States to the state of Iowa, but that the record in the recorder's office of Calhoun county, Iowa is a mistake; and

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa has never asserted its title to said land and does not now claim to hold title thereto, but said records of recorder's office of Calhoun county, Iowa, appears as a cloud upon the title thereof, now therefore for the purpose of perfecting the title of said land to Anna L. Edgar

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Title confirmed—patent. That the title to the west one-half (w- $\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter (s. w. $\frac{1}{4}$) of section two (2), township eighty-nine (89) north, range thirty-four (34) west 5th P. M. Iowa, be and the same is hereby confirmed in said Anna L. Edgar, her heirs and assigns forever, and the governor and secretary of state are hereby authorized to execute without expense to the state of Iowa, a patent wherein the state of Iowa shall quitclaim all right, title and interest in said land to Anna L. Edgar, her heirs and assigns.

SEC. 2. Pending litigation. Nothing in this act shall in any manner affect any pending litigation.

SEC. 3. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Register and Leader and the Des Moines Capital, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa, said publication to be without expense to the state of Iowa.

Approved April 8 A. D. 1913.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader and the Des Moines Capital April 15, 1913.

W. S. ALLEN,
Secretary of State.