

CHAPTER 154.

LAND PATENT TO JOSEPH B. HILL.

H. F. 479.

AN ACT authorizing the governor of the state of Iowa to issue patent conveying to Joseph B. Hill, the following described lands situated and lying in Greene county, state of Iowa, to wit: The southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17), township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30), west of the fifth (5th) principal meridian and containing forty (40) acres, more or less, according to the government survey.

WHEREAS, the said southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30) west of the fifth (5th) principal meridian, being a part of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30), was granted to the state of Iowa under act of congress May 15th, 1856 and approved to the state of Iowa April 20th, 1869; that on the 14th day of September, 1874, a patent was issued by the state of Iowa to the Cedar Rapids and Missouri River Railroad Company; that through oversight and mistake the said southeast one fourth (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northwest one fourth (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30), was not included in said patent, and

WHEREAS, the said Cedar Rapids and Missouri River Railroad Company, acting upon supposition that the said southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30), was included in aforesaid patent and grant deeded all of said northwest one fourth (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30) to the Iowa Railroad Land Company, and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Railroad Land Company on October 24th, 1883, deeded the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30), and based upon said deed said southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30), has been deeded many times until the first day of March, 1918, when the said southeast (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) quarter of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) was deeded to one Joseph B. Hill, and

WHEREAS, during all the time since the attempted transfer of said land by the state of Iowa in 1874 to the first day of March, 1919, taxes have been paid regularly upon said land as assessed, and

WHEREAS, the said land, when attempted to be transferred from the state of Iowa to the Cedar Rapids and Missouri River Railroad Company, was wild, unbroken and unproductive prairie land and of little value, and

WHEREAS, since the attempted grant, patent or deed in 1874 the said southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30), has been held in open, notorious and adverse possession under claim of right by the said Cedar Rapids and Missouri River Railroad Company and its grantees down to and including the present holder of said record title, to wit, Joseph B. Hill, and

WHEREAS, the said land has been sold and resold and by successive conveyance in an unbroken line the title to said tract is now vested in Joseph B. Hill, therefore,

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

1 SECTION 1. Joseph B. Hill—land patent authorized. That the
2 governor of the state of Iowa be, and is hereby authorized, empowered
3 and directed to execute and deliver to Joseph B. Hill a patent to the
4 southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section
5 seventeen (17) township eighty-five (85) north range thirty (30)
6 west of the fifth (5th) principal meridian in Greene county, Iowa.

1 SEC. 2. Publication clause. This act, being deemed of immediate
2 importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publi-
3 cation in the Des Moines Capital, a newspaper published at Des Moines,
4 Iowa, and the Jefferson Bee, a newspaper published at Jefferson, Iowa,
5 without expense to the state of Iowa.

Approved April 5, A. D. 1919.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Capital April 8, 1919 and in the Jefferson Bee April 9, 1919.

W. S. ALLEN, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 155.

MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDINGS.

H. F. 535.

AN ACT to confer additional power on cities now or hereafter having a population of eighty-five (85,000) thousand inhabitants or over, including cities acting under the commission plan of government, relating to municipal court buildings.

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

1 SECTION 1. Municipal court buildings—funds to complete—pro-
2 cedure. That all cities now or hereafter having a population of
3 eighty-five (85,000) thousand inhabitants or over, including cities
4 acting under the commission plan of government, in which an election
5 on the question of the erection of a municipal court building has been
6 held, and a majority of the voters voting at such election voted in
7 favor thereof, and such cities, because of increased cost of construc-
8 tion due to the war have been unable to complete such municipal court
9 building and furnish and equip the same with the amount fixed in the
10 question submitted to vote, shall have power without again submitting
11 such question to an election to complete such municipal court building
12 and furnish the same, and to secure the funds with which to pay
13 therefor may levy a tax and anticipate the same by the issue of interest
14 bearing bonds as provided in sections two and three of chapter 17 of
15 the laws of the 37th general assembly, and said chapter, except section
five thereof, shall so far as applicable apply to this act.