

CHAPTER 405

WILLIAM H. ELLIS

S. F. 456.

AN ACT authorizing the issuance of a patent to certain lands in Dallas County, Iowa.

WHEREAS, on the 1st day of June A. D. 1854, the state of Iowa, by the governor issued a patent to the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section fifteen (15); and the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section ten (10), all in township seventy-eight (78) north, range twenty-nine (29) west of the fifth P. M. in Dallas county, Iowa, and

WHEREAS, said patent was signed by Geo. W. McCleary, secretary of state, but failed to contain the signature of the governor, and

WHEREAS, said patent was issued upon full payment for said land by the patentee, Isaac Mendenhall, under certificate No. 1897, and is recorded in volume 3, page 81 of the state land office, and

WHEREAS, the omission of the signature of the governor to said patent apparently invalidates the same, and

WHEREAS, it appears that William H. Ellis is now the owner of the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section fifteen (15), township seventy-eight (78) north, range twenty-nine (29) west of the fifth P. M. in Dallas county, Iowa, by purchase through an unbroken chain of title from said Isaac Mendenhall, and he and his grantors through whom he claims title have been in the open, notorious, hostile and adverse possession of said real estate under claim of right and color of title thereto for more than fifty years last past, before the passage of this act, and

WHEREAS, it appears that Franklin R. Coulter is now the owner of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section ten (10), township seventy-eight (78) north, range twenty-nine (29) west of the fifth P. M. in Dallas county, Iowa, by purchase through an unbroken chain of title from said Isaac Mendenhall, and he and his grantors through whom he claims title have been in the open, notorious, hostile and adverse possession of said real estate under claim of right and color of title thereto for more than fifty years last past, before the passage of this act, therefore,

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

- 1 SECTION 1. That the governor and secretary of state of Iowa are
- 2 hereby authorized and directed to issue to the said William H. Ellis
- 3 a patent to the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the northeast quarter
- 4 (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section fifteen (15), township seventy-eight (78) north,
- 5 range twenty-nine (29) west of the fifth P. M. in Dallas county, Iowa;
- 6 and to the said Franklin R. Coulter a patent to the southeast quarter
- 7 (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section ten (10), town-
- 8 ship seventy-eight (78) north, range twenty-nine (29) west of the
- 9 fifth P. M. in Dallas county, Iowa.

Approved March 25, A. D. 1921.