

HISTORY OF THE DESCENDENTS  
OF  
JOHN AND SUSANNA COLE  
OF  
CULPEPPER COUNTY, VIRGINIA

By:  
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## FOREWORD

This rambling history of the descendants of John Cole, who died in Culpeper county, Virginia in 1757, is essentially a story of plain and mediocre people. There are no intellectual giants, business tycoons, great churchmen, statesmen, physicians, scientists or educators in the Cole clan. In fact, his descendants scattered in over one half of the states of the union, Alberta and New Zealand, are found mostly within the ranks of the humbler and less pretentious folks of the states in which they reside.

Politically, many of the large Cole families who lived in Kentucky and Missouri were democrats and many fought in the Confederate Army in the Civil War. The trials and tribulations of Zerelda Cole Samuels and her sons, Jesse and Frank James, are graphic evidence of the deep allegiance that some of the Missouri Coles had for the Southern Cause.

However, my own great grandfather, Jesse Cole (1805-1892) who left Northwestern Missouri in 1852 to settle in Nemaha County, Nebraska was a Northern Democrat and supported Stephen A. Douglas in the election of 1860. While there is some evidence that his family left Missouri to escape the pressure of the pro-slavery crowd, it is more logical to assume that they came to Nebraska in 1852 to take up new land in that practically unsettled state.

Judging from the introduction to the will of our earliest ancestor, John Cole, written in 1757, he must have been a deeply religious man but the first evidence of membership in a church was the enrollment in the famous "Forks of Elkhorn Church". by a number of the Coles of Woodford and Franklin counties of Kentucky. This early Baptist church in Kentucky occupied an important position in the settlement of that part of the state. Mrs. Ermina Jett Darnell has written an interesting book entitled "Forks of Elkhorn Church" which is not only of historic value but contains much genealogy of early Kentucky families, including a few of the Coles.

The Coles who lived in Clay County, Missouri were devout Baptists. Rev. Robert James, the first husband of Zerelda Cole, was an ordained Baptist minister and organized two Baptist churches in Clay County and his name is on the original charter of William Jewell College of Liberty, Missouri.

Later, many of the Cole families in Missouri and Nebraska became members of the Christian Church, a sect founded by Alexander Campbell in 1812. To this day, many of the Cole descendants living in the West and particularly some of those living in California are reverent members of the Christian Church.

Your historian has tried not to make this work a series of tombstone statistics of births and deaths only, but has tried to tell a little about the occupations of the male and some of the accomplishments of the female members of the family. When this information is lacking, it is because it was denied to me by some members of the family. While most of the Coles were most cooperative, a few ignored my letters of

inquiry, which is responsible for the blank spaces in the records. More than 350 letters of inquiry were written in longhand and directed to our scattered family.

I am particularly grateful to Mrs. Nellie Mc Ininch of Kansas City for her encouragement and wide variety of information about the Brownville phase of the Nemaha county Coles. Others who made considerable contributions to this history are Mrs. Hollis Mayer of Escondido, California, Mrs. Alma Armstrong of Lincoln, Nebraska, J. Harve Cole of Edgemont, South Dakota, Floyd Cole of Casper, Wyoming, Mrs. Gay Raines Strayer of Milwaukie, Oregon, Mrs. Frankie Mc Crory of Fresno, California, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Fugitt of Kernville, California, Mr. Thomas Railsbach of Auburn, Nebraska and Mrs. George M. Vandever of Neodesha, Kansas.

I will be eternally grateful to my good wife, Mary, who cheerfully chauffeured me more than 7500 miles to interview Cole descendants, visit cemeteries, libraries and courthouses from Frankfort, Kentucky to San Francisco.

Mr. Hugh Hawkins of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, a member of another entirely different Cole family gave valuable information about the family of Jesse Cole (1769-1857).

Great credit should be given the late Judge Redmond S. Cole of Tulsa, Oklahoma for his meticulous records and research of the Cole family of Woodford county, Kentucky. Judge Cole, an able genealogist, spent over 30 years on this work, only to discover that he was not a member of our family but was a member of another Cole family. He very graciously preserved his records "with the hope that, in some future time, some interested person would take up the task of completing the story where I left off". His comprehensive notes and data came into my hands through the generosity of ex-congressman Wm. C. Cole of St. Joseph, Missouri. Some of Judge Cole's work is copied verbatim in this history.

To Mr. George Harrison Sanford King, fellow American Society of Genealogists of Fredericksburg, Virginia, goes the credit of locating the wills of John and Susanna Cole. Mr. W. T. Black of Georgetown, Kentucky aided considerably in checking early Kentucky records in the famous Kentucky State Historical Library of Frankfort.

I pray that none of the Cole descendants will hold ill will toward me for the occasional errors, particularly errors of dates of birth and death and errors of omission. Check this up against the ineptitude of an aged amateur genealogist, tackling a task that should have been done when he was young and vigorous.

*Hugh E Black*

Bailey Falls Road, Tonica, Illinois  
Friday, April 13, 1962.

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CULPEPER COUNTY, VIRGINIA

CHAPTER I

COLES OF KENTUCKY, INDIANA AND MISSOURI

FIRST GENERATION

John Cole is our earliest known ancestor. The date and place of his birth are not known. He lived in Pennsylvania and some of his eight children were born there. We know a great deal about his second son, Richard Cole, but nothing about the other seven children, except what was revealed in his will and the will of his wife, Susanna.

John Cole moved from Pennsylvania to Virginia and died in Culpeper county in 1757. His wife, Susanna, died soon after in 1761. As the early Coles were long lived people, it is not unreasonable to assume that John and Susanna were born in the 1680's or 1690's. The date of the move from Pennsylvania to Virginia is not known but his son Richard voted in a Burgess election 1751 on 10 January in King George county (Deed Book #3, page 467).

In his will, John Cole bequeathed "the lot of land and plantation whereon I now live" and from this phraseology it appears that he was living on leased land-----not land owned in fee simple. In colonial times a "lot of land" meant a definite survey of a "lot" laid out from a larger tract. Many wealthy families in the lower counties were possessed of thousands of acres of land in the upper counties and in order to hold this land, they made leases for a term of years to persons who would "seat" it, clear the property etc. These leases were usually made for the term of three lives, thus sometimes called 99 year leases. There is no record of a deed to John Cole, either in the form of a direct sale or leases of record in Culpeper county; and there is no deed from his sons to any land there. As the family seems to have disappeared from the county, it is certain that they joined the great movement to Kentucky.

Besides farming, John Cole also ran a still, because in his will he directs his executors to sell a cask of brandy to help pay his debts and funeral expenses.

He also bequeathed the land on which he was then living, together with the still and utensils thereto belonging, to his sons, John and Richard. The inventory of his estate also lists parts for a still. As colonial distillers did not have to pay the \$10.50 federal tax on liquors that modern distillers do, this could have been a profitable operation.

Death was imminent when his will was written on the 5th of January 1757. It was filed for probate on the 17th day of March 1757.

WILL OF JOHN COLE

In the name of God Amen! I John Cole of the parish of St. Mark in the County of Culpeper being sick, weak in body but of sound mind and memory, thanks to Almighty God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life. Do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First and principally I recomend my Soul to God who gave it Hoping through the merits and interception of my beloved Lord and Redeemer Jesus Christ to obtain Felicity. My body I comit to the earth therein to be decently interred at the discretion of my executors herein after named and as -----such worldlyestate wherewith it has pleased God to help me in this life, I give and dispose of in the following manner (to wit:)

My will and desire is that all my just debts and Funeral Charges be first paid and discharged and the remainder of my estate of what kind soever, I leave to my beloved wife Susanna Cole to dispose of between herself and my children in such manner and proportions as she shall think fit. But in case my said wife should not survive me & if she should survive me and die shortly before she can distribute or settle my estate, then and in such case I dispose of my estate in the following manner-

I give to my sons Richard Cole & John Cole the lot of land & plantation wherein I now live together with the still & utensils thereto belonging.

I give to each of my sons in laws, William Reynolds & John Morgan one cow and calf. I give to my daughter Mary Ann Cole one side saddle mare called Blaze, but in case my said daughter should die of the disorder which she is now afflicted with, then the said mare and saddle to go to my daughter, Martha Reynolds. I also give to my said daughter Mary Ann Cole, Lindsays Notes on the New Testament. I give to my son John Cole my great Bible and my best suit of clothes my Books and Gun.

I give to William Morgan my Sargathy Coat & black Jacket.

My will is that a cask of brandy which I now have by me should be sold and the money applied toward the payments of my debts and all the remainder of my estate be equally divided between my son John Cole and my other children who are not named in this will. But if it should so happen that all my children who are not named in this will should die, then it is my desire that my whole (the remainder) should be divided between my son John and my three children.

LASTLY, I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Susanna Cole as Executrix and my son Richard Cole executor of my last will & testament hereby revoking all other wills and I do hereby Declare this only to be my last will & testament.

Whereof I do hereto set my hand and seal this 5th day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred fifty seven.

Signed Sealed Published and  
Declared In presence of us

Wm. Green

John Green

Charles E. M. Morgan  
his mark

Wm. W. Morgan  
his mark

John Cole (I.S.)

At a court held in the County of Culpeper on Thursday the 17th day of March 1757 This last will and testament of John Cole, deceased, exhibited into court by Susanna Cole, widow of said John Cole and Richard Cole his executor therein named and was proven by the oaths of William Green and John Green Witnesses thereto and ----- to be recorded and on the motion of the said Executors Certificate is granted for obtaining a probate thereof in such form they having sworn to the same according to law

Tester Roger Dixon

#### FIRST GENERATION

JOHN COLE (b. \_\_\_\_\_ d. 1757) married Susanna \_\_\_\_\_ (b. \_\_\_\_\_ d. 1761)

#### THE CHILDREN OF JOHN AND SUSANNA COLE

- I. John Cole
- II. Richard Cole (1729-1814) married (1) Ann Hubbard (1730-1795)  
*JAMES* (2) Emsey Jones, Woodford Co. Ky. 21 July 1795
- III. Mary Ann Cole
- IV. Martha Cole married Wm. Reynolds
- V. Judith Cole
- VI. Alice Cole married John Morgan
- VII. Susanna Cole
- VIII. Sarah Ann Cole

Susanna Cole did not long survive her husband, John, as her will was written on the 16th day of September 1761 and was filed for probate on the 30th day of November 1761. Her will was very similar to her husbands except that she did mention the names of four daughters, Judith, Alice, Susanna and Sarah Ann, who were named in John Cole's will only as "my other children who are not named in this will". Of the names of the eight children of John and Susanna Cole, Sarah Ann (Sallie) crops up the most often in their descendants. For at least six generations there have been one or more Sarahs.

## SECOND GENERATION

RICHARD COLE (b. 1729-d. Nov. 21, 1814)

More is known about Richard Cole, our Revolutionary War ancestor, than any of the early Coles. Born in Pennsylvania, he married Ann Hubbard in Pennsylvania about 1760, who bore him nine children. After her death in Woodford Co. Ky. in 1795, he married Emsey Jones.

Richard Cole served in the Sixth Pennsylvania Regiment in the American Revolution. He must have been a tough, hardy individual as he was forty-five years of age when the war started. This was considered the beginning of old age in those days and not many men of that age, with a wife and nine children, would have cared to leave their families and the comfort of the fireside for military service.

The family had left Pennsylvania and was living in Virginia as early as 1751 because he voted in a Burgess election in King George County that year. (Deed Book #3, Page #467, 10 Jan. 1751)

In 1754 he had leased land as shown in Deed Book #4, Page 138, 14 Sept. 1754:-

Hancock Lee, Gentleman, of King George County makes a lease to Richard Cole for 150 acres on the north side of Horsepen Run, in the county of King George, adjoining the plantation of John Herndon----for the life of the said Richard Cole, Ann, his wife, and John Cole, his son.

Signed by Hancock Lee  
Richard Cole

This property is upon Hersepen in Faquier County which was not formed until 1759. This was a lease for lives-----so long as Richard Cole, his wife, Ann, or his son, John, lived, they had possession of this land, paying yearly rental to Hancock Lee, Gentleman, the proprietor thereof, and upon their death this land reverted to Lee and his heirs.

While nothing is known about Richard Cole's education, it is recorded in Dorman (Orange County Will Book #2 (1744-1778)) that Richard Cole, schoolmaster, was paid for the schooling of the orphans of John Plunkett, deceased.

Later, when he moved his family from Culpeper county, Virginia to Woodford county, Kentucky, he assisted Humphrey Marshall in surveying the site of Frankfort, now the capitol of Kentucky. A surveyor's assistant should have had some knowledge of mathematics.

Railey's History of Woodford county, Kentucky, published in 1928, states that "Richard Cole Sr. lived on Cole's Road on the old Franklin and Lexington Road, three miles from Midway, Kentucky. He was a prosperous and painstaking farmer and soon erected a large building on the premises that was only a short distance from the road, which not only housed his family, but was also used as a tavern to accomodate the traveling public. That road, at that early date, was the main road from Maysville and Lexington to Frankfort and Louisville. Such men as

Henry Clay and John J. Crittenden often stopped here for rest". Robert M. Cole, a descendant and quite an old man in 1907, stated that this tavern was known as "Black Horse Tavern".

The U. S. Census of 1810 shows that Richard Cole had only two members in his family. This was probably he and his second wife, Emsey Jones Cole. It also showed that he was the owner of five slaves. The same census reveals that his son, Richard Cole Jr., had ten in his family and was the owner of three slaves. Richard Cole Sr. and his wife, Ann, are buried in the Cole cemetery near Midway, Kentucky.

#### SECOND GENERATION

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RICHARD COLE (John) (b. 1729-d. Nov. 21, 1814) married (1) Ann Hubbard (b. 1720-d. Feb. 11, 1795).

#### THE CHILDREN OF RICHARD COLE AND ANN HUBBARD

I. JOHN COLE married Nancy Hines and lived in Barren county, Kentucky.

II. RICHARD COLE JR. (1763-1839) married Sallie Yates and continued to operate the tavern after his father's death in 1814. His children were:-

(a) POLLY COLE married Elijah Finnie

(b) ELIZABETH COLE married Thomas Martin (1792-1884) in 1812. Lived near Midway, Kentucky

(c) SALLIE COLE married Henry B. Lewis, 1828, in Woodford county, Kentucky

(d) JAMES COLE married his cousin, Sallie Lindsay, and they had Zerelda Cole and Jesse Richard Cole. James Cole was the grandfather of Jesse and Frank James. Jesse James was probably named after his uncle, Jesse Richard Cole.

(e) WILLIAM Y. COLE (b. Sept. 16, 1788-d. June 19, 1823)

(f) JESSE COLE (one Jesse Cole married Fanny Rice) Franklin county, Kentucky in 1815

(g) AMOS COLE (1768-1827) married \_\_\_\_\_ and had one child, Sarah Ann Cole

III. JESSE COLE (1769-1857) married (1) Nancy Sparks in Franklin county, Kentucky. She was the mother of his eleven children and died in Kentucky. His (2) wife was Elizabeth Roberts, whom he married in Ripley county, Indiana on October 27, 1825. His (3) wife was Mrs. Elizabeth Hyatt, whom he married in 1848. Jesse Cole (1769-1857) is the ancestor from whom most of the Cole families in N.W. Missouri; Nemaha county, Nebraska; Wyoming; Nevada; Montana; New Mexico; California; Oregon; Alberta and New Zealand are descended.



The children of Jesse Cole and Nancy Sparks were:-

- (a) CHARLES C. COLE married, wife not known. Three children.
- (b) JEREMIAH COLE married Rebecca Young. Nine children.
- (c) ELIZABETH COLE married Noah Ransdell. Six children
- (d) JOHN M. COLE (b. Nov. 18, 1801- d. Apr. 23, 1875)  
married Sarah Collier (b. Feb. 10, 1809- d. Apr. 16, 1879) Ten children.
- (e) MARY COLE married \_\_\_\_\_ Young.
- (f) JESSE COLE (1805-1892) married Aljailina Wheeler  
(b. 1810- d. 1888) in Shelby county, Indiana in 1826.

Note:-This Jesse Cole was the Great Grandfather of this writer and the ancestor of the Coles of Nemaha County, Nebraska.

- (g) MILLY COLE married \_\_\_\_\_ Salyers.
- (h) NANCY COLE married Hezekiah Evans.
- (i) ELIZABETH COLE married \_\_\_\_\_ Jones.
- (j) WILLIS WASHINGTON COLE
- (k) HENRY CLAY COLE

Note: The exact order of birth of these children is not known but are listed as above, it being the order mentioned in the will. This Jesse Cole, born in Kentucky about 1769, was a taxpayer in Franklin county, Kentucky in 1801. He and his wife, Nancy, joined "The Forks of Elkhorn Church" (Baptist) after 1800 and were dismissed, by letter, to Big Spring Church in 1812. He owned several tracts of land on Elkhorn Creek, near the Scott county line, but later moved to Ripley county, Indiana, after Nancy's death. His (2) marriage to Elizabeth Roberts in 1826 and to (3) Mrs. Elizabeth Hyatt, in 1848, took place in Ripley county, Indiana. His will, probated in 1857, which follows, contains one paragraph which is a classic example of a cantankerous old man taking a final verbal fling at an errant spouse, the second wife. After reading the provisions in the will concerning the rights of his third wife, can you censure her for renouncing and disclaiming the will?

#### LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JESSE COLE, DECEASED (1769-1857)

I Jesse Cole of Ripley county Indiana make and publish this my last will and testament revoking all others My Soul to God My body to be decently buried in a plain manner I give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth H. Cole all the property that she brought to my house when we were married for her use forever I give my said wife the North East One fourth of the North East quarter of Section twenty in Township six north of Range ten East forty acres for her a house as long as she lives also the bay mare her saddle and bridle and Martingale her choice of the Cows four sheep one sow and one good feather bed and a good sufficient bed close and bedstead Also two of the Double Wove coverlids The bureau and cupboard and such necessary household and kitchen furniture as I shall give a bill of I give my said Wife a note which I hold on Mashach Hyatt for fifty dollars and the use of a note I hold on Samuel Smith for three hundred dollars this note my Executor's will manage and pay my said Wife the interest annually. All these givfs I give my

ABSTRACT OF TITLE

TO

W. H. WOODS JR. & CO. INC.

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and interest thereon

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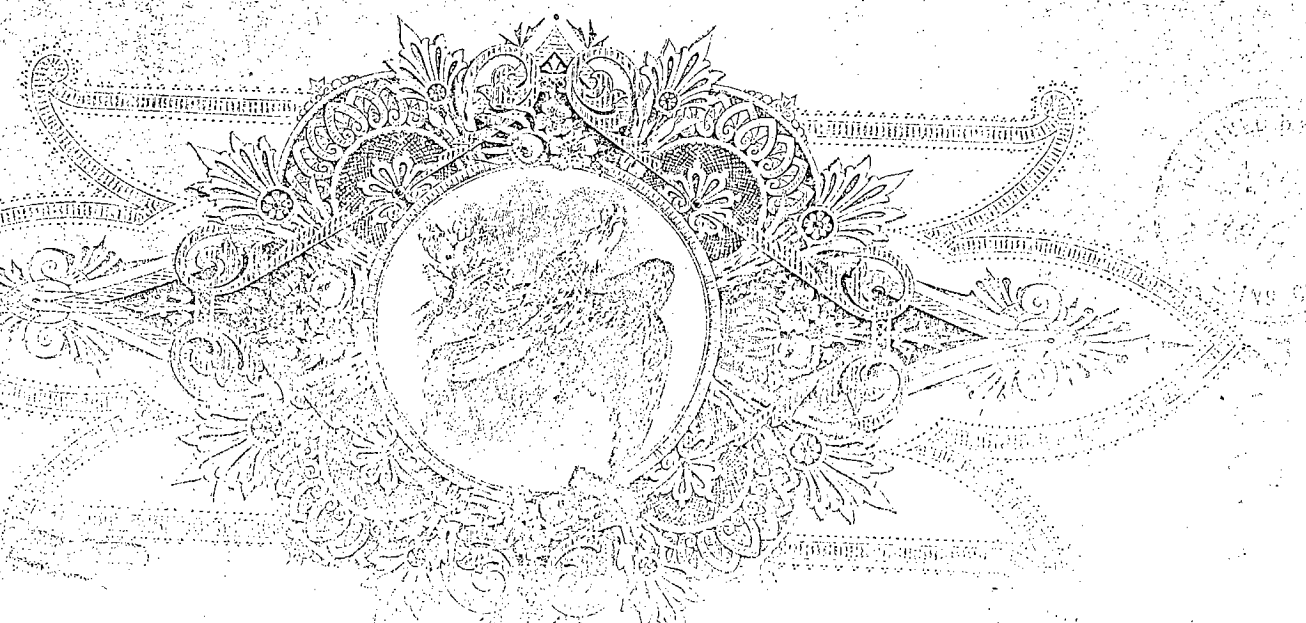
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PEMISCOT COUNTY ABSTRACT  
AND INVESTMENT CO.  
SARASOTA, MISSISSIPPI

W. H. WOODS JR. & CO. INC.

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and interest thereon



MINIST C.  
O. L. WOOD, PASTOR

214 N. FOLGER ST.

CARROLLTON, MISSOURI.

COPY OF LEASE.

This lease entered into between O.L.Wood party of the First part; and Thos H. Edwards party of the Second Part; Party of the First part agrees to Furnish land, Consisting of the cultivating portion of farm, Known as Ransom Hicks farm; near Samford Pemiscot county Missouri. The numbers of said Farm N.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 25. Twp. 17. R. 10. Also E.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec 25. Twp. 17. R. 10 East. Also to furnish  $\frac{1}{2}$  teams necessary to cultivate said land; and a house for party of Second part to live in; From March 1st 1911 to March 1st. 1912.

Party of Second part Agrees to cultivate the land of said farm Consisting of 100 Acres , More or less, the balance of the farm not in cultivation to be used ~~for~~ pasture. In cultivation of said farm the party of the second part agrees to do all labor; and party of first part, also party of the second part divide the crop, half and half each alike.

Party of second part agrees to work on the farm, when not engaged in crop, for party of first part. Doing ~~renewal~~ and clearing, or any work that is to be done on the place. Said party of the First part agrees to pay party of second part, at the rate of \$20.00 per month , for such work done by party of the second part.

Signed This 1st day of March 1911. This lease expires 1st day of March, 1912.

Signed Party of First Part.

O. L. WOOD

Party of the Second Part.

Thos. H. Edwards.



HINA C. SCHULT, Pres.  
 CHAS. W. SHIELDS, Secty.  
 FELIX J. PARKIN, Treas. & Genl. Mangr.  
 JOHN A. HOPE, Attorney,

*Courthersville, Mo.*

# Abstract of Title to

Northeast Quarter and the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, <sup>except R.R. right of way conveyed</sup> containing <sup>160</sup> 140 acres, situate in Pemiscot County, Missouri.

*to Keminiff Vally RR by deed recorded Book 18 p 248*

No. 1.--United States To State of Missouri. Grant.

The above Grant conveys the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 160 acres, and other lands. By Act of Congress of the United States. Approved September 28, 1850.

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No. 2.--State of Missouri To Pemiscot County. Patent, Dated July 13, 1882. Filed for Record May 21, 1903. Recorded Book 24, Page 623.

The above Patent conveys the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 160 acres.

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No. 3.--Pemiscot County To William M. Hicks. Certificate of Entry, No. 1250, Dated May 16, 1859. Register's Book 1, Page 42. Consideration, \$200.00.

The above Certificate of Entry is for the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 160 acres.

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No. 4.--Pemiscot County To William Hicks, No. 1230. Consideration, \$200.00.

The above conveys the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 160 acres.

Note:--the above entry is just as shown by "Carleton's Abstracts".

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No. 5.--Pemiscot County To Mexico Cole. Certificate of Entry, No. A. 1184, Dated January 27, 1859. Registers Book 1, Page 40.

Consideration, \$0.

The Certificate of Entry is for the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 80 acres, and other lands.

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No. 6.--Pemiscot County To Mexico Cole. No. 1184. Consideration, \$200.00.

The above conveys the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, and other lands.

Note:-Register's Book 1, Page 35 shows that Entry No. 1331 issued to the Heirs of Mexico Cole was received from Entry No. A.1184.

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No. 7.--Henry M. Clark and wife, To Jos. W. Mitchell. Deed of Trust, Dated January 25, 1867. Filed for Record July 24, 1867. Recorded Book C, Page 103. Consideration, \$1.00. Acknowledgment, Regular. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys the Northeast Quarter and the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East containing 240 acres, and other lands.

Note:-"Carleton's abstracts" says; all a fraud.

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No. 8.--James W. Mitchell Trustee, To Rensselaer Cutler. Trustee's Deed, Dated June 17, 1867. Filed for Record July 24, 1867. Recorded Book C, Page 107. Acknowledgment, Regular. Consideration, \$851.52

The above Deed conveys the Northeast Quarter and the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 240 acres, and other lands.

Note:-"Carleton's Abstracts" says; all a fraud.

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No. 9.--United States To William Jackson. Entered February, 1871.

East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 80 acres.

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No. 10.--William Jackson and wife, To Geo. I. Coleman. Warranty Deed, Dated January 7, 1878. Filed for Record March 16, 1881.

Recorded Book 2, Page 19. Consideration, \$450.00. Acknowledgment, Regular Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, Containing 80 acres.

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No. 11.--John J. Hicks<sup>Thomas P. Hicks</sup> and Mary E. Hicks, his wife, and Nancy L. Hicks, To Ransom Hicks. Warranty Deed, Dated September 7, 1883. Filed for Record May 5, 1884. Recorded Book 1, Page 195. Consideration, \$100.00. Acknowledgment, Justice of the Peace of Pemiscot County, Mo. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided 3/5 interest in and to the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, North of Range 10, East, containing 96 acres, more or less.

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No. 12.--George I. Coleman and Lucy A. Coleman, his wife, To Ransom Hicks. Warranty Deed Dated December 12, 1888. Filed for Record December 27, 1888. Recorded Book 8, Page 136. Consideration, \$750.00. Acknowledgment, Justice of the Peace of Pemiscot County, Missouri. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, containing 80 acres.

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No. 13.--George Hicks To Rance Hicks. Warranty Deed, Dated August 7, 1895. Filed for Record September 7, 1895. Recorded Book 12, Page 116. Consideration, \$27.50. Acknowledgment, Justice of the Peace of Pemiscot County, Missouri. Dower, None, a single person.

The above Deed conveys all of 1/6 of undivided part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East.

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No. 14.--Alma Hale and Geo. A. Hale, her husband, To A.P. Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated March 19, 1902. Filed for Record July 25, 1902. Recorded Book 12, Page 564. Consideration, Prorata \$400.00. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest in the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, and all other lands situate and lying in Pemiscot County, Missouri, in

Julia Swanner as follows:- The East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, and all other lands situate and lying in Pemiscot County, in which we have an interest in whatsoever, by reason, deed, gift or entry by being a descendant of Mexico Cole father of our mother Julia Ann Swanner, deceased. Also granting to our vendors all right and title to collect for all rents and timber in arrearage.

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No. 20.--Fannie G. Wood and James E. Wood her husband, To A.P. Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated March 31, 1902. Filed for Record July 23, 1902. Recorded Book 12, Page 570. Consideration Pro Rata \$400.00 Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest as joint heirs of our grandfather's estate Mexico Cole, through our mother Julia Ann Swanner, as follows:- the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, and all other lands situate and lying in Pemiscot County, Missouri, in which we have an interest in what so ever, by reason, deed, gift or entry by being a descendant of Mexico Cole father of our mother Julia Ann Swanner, deceased. Also granting our vendor all right and title to collect for all rents and timber in arrearage.

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No. 21.--Virgie L. Wilks and Chas. Wilks her husband, To A.P. Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated March 19, 1902. Filed for Record July 23, 1902. Recorded Book 12, Page 571. Consideration, Pro Rata \$400.00. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished. —

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest in the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, and all other lands situate and lying in Pemiscot County, Missouri, in which we have an interest in whatsoever by reason of deed, gift or entry by being a descendant of Mexico through our mother Julia Ann Swanner, deceased, Also granting our vendors the right and title to collect for all rents and timber in arrearage.

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No. 17.--Lawrence Swanner and Ora Swanner, his wife, To A.P.Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated March 25, 1902. Filed for Record July 23, 1902. Recorded Book 12, Page 567. Consideration, Pro Rata, \$400.00. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest as joint heirs of our grand-fathers estate Mexico Cole, through our mother Julia Ann Swanner, as follows:- The East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, and all other lands situate and lying in Femiscot County, Missouri, in which we have an interest in what ever, by reason, deed, gift or entry by being a descendant of Mexico Cole, father of our mother Julia Ann Swanner, deceased, Also Granting our vendor all right and title to collect all rents and timber in arrearages.

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No. 18.--Maggie Cherrill, single and unmarried, and Harry Cole and Mattie Cole, his wife, To A.P.Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated April 5, 1902. Filed for Record July 23, 1902. Recorded Book 12, Page 568. Consideration, Pro Rate \$300.00. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest, also purported to be made by deed of partition, or otherwise, in which we as joint heirs of our grandfather Mexico Cole through our father Francis M. Cole, heired as follows:- The East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10 and all other lands situate and lying in Femiscot County, Missouri, in which we have an in interest in what so ever, by reason, deed, gift or entry, by being a descendant of Mexico Cole, father of our father Francis M. Cole, also granting our vendors all right and title to collect for all rents and timber in arrearages.

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No. 19.--James B. Swanner and Irena Swanner, his wife, To A.P.Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated March 31, 1902. Filed for Record July 23, 1902. Recorded Book 12, Page 569. Consideration, Pro Rate \$400.00. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest as joint heirs of our grandfathers estate Mexico Cole, through our mother



which we have interest in what so ever, by reason, Deed of gift or entry by being a descendant of Mexico Cole, through our mother Julia Ann Swanner Also granting to our vendors the right and title to collect for arrearage of rents and timber.

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No. 15.--George W. Bradley and Frances M. Bradley, his wife, J. G. Kirkpatrick and Mary A. Kirkpatrick, his wife and widow of Francis M. Cole, To A. P. Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated April 5, 1902. Filed for Record July 23, 1902. Recorded Book 12, Page 565. Consideration, Prorata \$300.00. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest, also that purported to be made by Deed in Partition or otherwise, which we as joint heirs of our grand-father Mexico Cole, through our father Francis M. Cole, heired as follows: East Half of the Southeast Quarter Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, and other lands, situate and lying in Pemiscot County, Missouri, which we have an interest in, what so ever by reason, deed, gift or entry by being a descendant of Mexico Cole, father of our father, Francis M. Cole, Also granting to our vendors all --- right and title to collect for rents and timber arrearage.

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No. 16.--Nellie G. McCoy and Victor McCoy her husband, To A. P. Campbell. Quit Claim Deed, Dated March 24, 1902. Filed for Record July 23, 1902. Recorded Book 12 Page 566. Consideration, Pro Rata \$400.00 Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest as joint heirs of our grand-father's estate, Mexico Cole, through our mother Julia Ann <sup>Swanner</sup> ~~Swanner~~, as follows:--East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, and all other lands situate and lying in Pemiscot County, Missouri, in which we have an interest in what so ever, by reason, deed, gift or entry by being a descendant of Mexico Cole, father of our mother Julia Ann Swanner, deceased. Also granting our vendors all right and title to collect for all rents and timber in arrearges.

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No. 22.--A.P.Campbell and Addie Campbell his wife, To C.Huffman. Quit Claim Deed, Dated February 21, 1903. Filed for Record February 28, 1903. Recorded Book 26, Page 22. Consideration, \$1.00 and other valuable considerations. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest in and to the estate of Mexico Cole, which we came into possession of by deed from Maggie Sherrill, Harry Cole and Mattie Cole his wife, Eda Wood and wife, Lawrence Swanner and wife, James Swanner and wife, George Hale and wife, Stephen Cole and wife, Victor McCoy and wife, Chas Wilks and wife George Bradley and wife, Jess G. Kirkpatrick and wife, to-wit: East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East. Also granting our vendors all right and title to collect for all rents and timber in arrearage.

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No. 23.--Nancy Patrick, daughter of Mexico Cole, and Chas. Patrick, her husband, To C.Huffman. Quit Claim Deed, Dated February 25, 1903. Filed for Record May 26, 1903. Recorded Book 26, Page 74. Consideration, \$50.00. Acknowledgment, Justice of the Peace of Pemiscot County, Missouri. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided interest in my father's estate, Mexico Cole (except that of Elizabeth Jones) the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, and other lands. Granting also, to collect for all timber and rents in arrearage.

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24--R.Hick and Julia Hicks, his wife, To Mississippi Valley Railway Company. Right-of-way Deed, Dated May 20, 1904. Filed for Record July 9, 1904. Recorded Book 28, Page 428. Consideration, one. Acknowledgment, Justice of the Peace of Pemiscot County, Missouri. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys a strip of land 75 feet wide for use as a railroad right-of-way, being 57 and 1/2 feet on each side of the center line of a railroad, as the same is now, or may hereafter be.

located the second part over, along and across, the following real estate in Township 17, Range 10, East, to-wit\*- Across the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, together with the right to alter water-course to increase the width of the strip for necessary embankment to barrow earth from said land adjacent and to cut down and use from said adjacent lands, all trees which, when felled might reach to within 10 feet of railroad tract located on the strip, and the right to take supply of water for all necessary railway use.

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No. 25.--R.Hicks and Julia Jicks his wife, To Tyler Land and Timber Company. Warranty Deed, Dated February 19, 1907. Filed for Record April 2, 1908. Recorded Book 40 Page 95. Consideration, \$300.00 Acknowledgment, Justice of the Peace of Pemiscot County, Missouri. Dower Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all the timber on the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and about 10 acres on the West end of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East, being in all about 50 acres, more or less.

The said parties of the second part shall have 30 months from this date to get said timber off of said land, but in case they refuse, fail or neglect to get said timber in the time herein specified the title thereto shall rest absolutely in the parties of the first part or their legal representatives.

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No. 26.-- Taxes all paid, except ditch tax for the year 1908.

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STATE OF MISSOURI. )  
                          ) SS.  
COUNTY OF PEMISCOT )

We hereby certify that the above and foregoing Abstract of Title from No.1, To No. 26, inclusive, embraces all conveyance affecting the title to the land described in the above Caption, so far as we find it to appear from "Carleton's Abstracts" and the Deed Records of said County.

Dated this 20th day of January, 1909, at office in the  
City of Caruthersville, Missouri, at ten o'clock A.M.

OEMISCOT COUNTY ABSTRACT & INVESTMENT COMPANY.  
Abstractors.

By *W. H. Andrews*  
Secretary.

17.--State of Missouri To Wm. M. Hicks. Patent, Dated

December 21, 1869. Filed for Record February 8, 1909. Recorded Book 39, Page 573. Consideration, \$200.00.

The above Patent conveys the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, North, of Range 10, East, containing 160 acres.

"Original recorded December 22, 1869, in book B, page 267.

County Court Records".

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No. 28.--Robert D. Sanders and Josie Sanders, his wife, To Ransom Hicks. Quit Claim Deed, Dated February 11, 1909. Filed for Record February 12, 1909. Recorded Book 37, Page 178. Consideration, \$1.00, and other valuable considerations. Acknowledgment, Notary Public, (seal). Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided one sixth interest in and to the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17 North, of Range 10, East, being the interest of the above named Josie Sanders inherited by her from her mother, who was a daughter of Wm. Hicks.

This Deed is made in lieu of a Deed formerly made by said grantors to said grantee which Deed was lost without being recorded.

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No. 29.--United States To William Jackson. Certified Copy of Patent, Dated October 10, 1877. Filed for Record April 6, 1909. Recorded Book 39, Page 627.

The above Patent conveys the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17 Range, 10, East, in the district of lands subject to sale at Ironton, Missouri, containing 80 acres.

Homestead Certificate, No. 1640. Application, 3489.

Department of the Interior,  
General Land Office,

Washington, March 27, 1909.

I hereby certify the annexed copy of Patent is a true and literal exemplification from the record of this office.

In Testimony, Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of this office to be affixed, at the City of Washington on the day and year above written.

H.W. Sanford,

Recorder of the General Land Office.

SEAL

STATE OF MISSOURI

COUNTY OF PEMISCOT

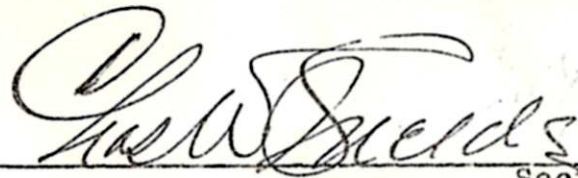
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We hereby certify that the above and foregoing Additional Abstract of Title from No. 27, to No. 29, inclusive embraces all conveyances affecting the Title to land described in the above Caption so far as we find it to appear from the Deed Records of said County, since January 29, 1909, and that there are no taxes, tax-sales, mechanic's or judgment liens on said property against the present or prior owners of said property, which are liens thereon, as appear from the records of said County, except as herein stated.

Dated this 24th day of April, 1909, at 3:30 o'clock, P.M.,  
at office in the City of Caruthersville, Missouri.

PEMISCOT COUNTY ABSTRACT & INVESTMENT COMPANY.  
Abstracters.

By



Secretary.

0.--Josie Sanders and R.D.Sanders her husband To Ransom  
Hicks. Quit Claim Deed, Dated June 10, 1909. Filed for Record July 14, 1909.  
Recorded Book 37 Page 219. Consideration \$1.00 and other valuable considera-  
tions. Acknowledgment, Notary Public. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided right, title,  
and interest of whatever kind nature and extent in and to the Northeast  
Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, North of Range 10, East.

This Deed of Quit Claim being made in correction of a certain  
Quit Claim Deed, executed to the Grantee by the Grantors herein, dated  
February 11, 1909, in which said Deed the interest conveyed was erroneously  
stated and designated.

Note: Josie Sanders signs by mark and same is witnessed by  
J.W.Green.

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No. 31.--George Hicks and Willie Hicks his wife, To Ransom  
Hicks. Quit Claim Deed, Dated July 5, 1909. Filed for Record July 14, 1909.  
Recorded Book 37, Page 220. Consideration, \$25.00. Acknowledgment, Recorder  
of Deed. Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of our undivided right, title and  
interest of whatever kind, nature and extent in and to the Northeast Quarter  
of Section 25, Township 17, North of Range 10, East.

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STATE OF MISSOURI. )  
                          ) SS.  
COUNTY OF PEMISCOT. )

We hereby certify that the above and foregoing Additional  
Transfers from No. 30 to 31 inclusive, embraces all conveyances affecting  
the title to land described in the above Caption so far as we find it to  
appear from the Deed Records of said County since April 24, 1909.

Dated this 24th day of July, 1909, at office in the City of  
Garuthersville, Missouri.

PEMISCOT COUNTY ABSTRACT & INVESTMENT COMPANY.

By Charles G. Fields  
Secretary.

Abstract  
Per 9/10/11  
Date

No. 32.

Ransom Hicks, and Julia	Warranty Deed,
Hicks, his wife,	Dated September 11, 1909,
To	Filed for Record October 21, 1909
Oscar L. Wood.	Recorded Book 43, Page 25,
	Consideration, \$5800.00
	Acknowledgment, Recorder of Deeds,
	Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East (Except a strip containing 4 acres off of the North side of said tract) heretofore conveyed to the Mississippi Valley Railroad for a right-of-way; and Also the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10 East, it being hereby expressly understood and agreed that any and all crops growing on said above described lands for the year 1909, are hereby reserved by the said parties of the first part.

Grantors do not warrant against the taxes becoming due and payable after the date hereof.

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No. 35.

D. L. Wood and Viola M.	Trust Deed,
Wood, his wife,	Dated September 14, 1909
To	Filed for Record October 25, 1909
Robert L. Ward, Trustee,	Recorded Book 41, Page 164
Ransom Hicks and Julia Hicks.	Consideration, \$1.00
	Acknowledgment, Notary Public,
	Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, North, Range 10, East, (except a strip containing 4 acres off of North side of said above described tract heretofore sold to the Mississippi Valley Railroad Company for right of way purposes) Also the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17 Range 10, East.

The above Deed was given to secure the payment of three promissory notes of even date herewith, one for the sum of \$1600.00 and due one year after date, one for \$1600.00 due two years after date and one for \$1600 due and payable three years after date, bearing



interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum. This Deed of Trust being given for the purpose of securing the payment of the above described notes, they being deferred payments for the above described real estate as purchase money.

One of the notes in the sum of \$1600.00 described in the within Deed of Trust and becoming due and payable one year after date was on this 18th day of September, 1911, produced in my presence by the maker thereof, and be me cancelled.

J.W.Green,  
Recorder.

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No. 54.

C.Huffman, and Cora Huffman      Quit Claim Deed,  
his wife,                              Dated October 4, 1911,  
    Filed for Record November 3, 1911,  
    Recorded Book 37, Page 489  
    Consideration, \$1.00,  
    Acknowledgment, Notary Publics,  
    Dower, Relinquished.

The above Deed conveys all of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 17, Range 10, East.

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No. 35.

Oscar L. Wood, and Viola              Trust Deed,  
M.Wood, his wife,                      Dated September 1, 1911,  
    Filed for Record November 14, 1911,  
    Recorded Book 48, Page 201,  
    Consideration, \$1.00,  
    Acknowledgment, Notary Public.  
Union Central Life Insurance      Company.

The above Deed conveys the Northeast Quarter of Section 25, except the right of way of the Mississippi Valley Railroad Company, and the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, All in Township 17, Range 10, East of the 5th principal meridian, containing 236 acres, more or less, according to Government Survey. IN TRUST, HOWEVER, to secure the debt evidenced by certain promissory notes, executed concurrently with this Deed of Trust, by Oscar L. Wood and

Viola M. Wood, his wife, parties of the first part, and payable to the party of the third part or order and bearing the same date as this Deed of Trust and described further as follows: One certain promissory note for the sum of \$250.00, one certain promissory note for the sum of \$250.00, and one certain promissory note for the sum of \$3500.00 (and being for the principal sum loaned and payable respectively in one, two and ten years after date, or in partial payments prior to maturity in accordance with the stipulations therein) with interest at the rate therein specified as evidenced by coupon notes.

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No. 36.

Taxes due for the year 1911.

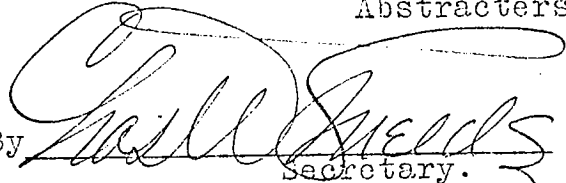
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STATE OF MISSOURI. )  
COUNTY OF PEMISCOT. ) SS.

We hereby certify that the above and foregoing Additional Transfers from No. 32 to No. 36 inclusive, embraces all conveyances effecting the title to the land described in the above Caption, so far as we find it to appear from the Deed Records of said County, since July 24, 1909.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1911, at office in the City of Caruthersville, Missouri.

PEMISCOT COUNTY ABSTRACT & INVESTMENT COMPANY,  
Abstracters.

By  Secretary.

Release of Deed of Trust recorded Book 41, Page 164, and shown in conveyance No. 33 of this abstract.

Two of the notes secured by the within Deed of Trust was produced and cancelled by me this 4th day of December, 1911.

J.W.Green,  
Recorder.

The debt mentioned in the within Deed of Trust having been fully paid and discharged, I hereby acknowledge satisfaction in full and release the property herein conveyed from the lien and encumbrance thereon, this 4th day of December, 1911.

Chas. F. Shields,  
Assignee of Beneficiary.

Attest: J.W.Green,  
Recorder..

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No. 38.

Taxes all paid, including the year 1911.

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STATE OF MISSOURI. )  
                                  ) SS.  
COUNTY OF PEMISCOT. )

We hereby certify that the above and foregoing Additional Transfers from No. 37 to 38 inclusive, embrace all conveyances effecting the title to the land described in the above Caption, so far as we find it to appear from the Deed Records of said County, since November 14, 1911.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1911, at office in the City of Caruthersville, Missouri, at 2:00 o'clock P.M.

PEMISCOT COUNTY ABSTRACT & INVESTMENT COMPANY,  
Abstracters.

By Chas. F. Shields  
Secretary.

# Certificate of Abstractor.

We **Hereby Certify**, That the foregoing Abstract is a correct exhibit of every instrument-record or writing conveying or affecting the title of O.L.Wood to the land described in the Caption upon the records of Pemiscot County, State of Missouri.

We **Further Certify**, That **we** have made an examination of the following records, to-wit: "Carleton's Abstracts", Deed Records, Circuit Court Records  
County Court Records and Probate Court Records

and that there are no pending suits nor liens against said premises not shown in said Abstract, and that all due taxes, including taxes for year 1911 are paid.

We **Further Certify**, That there are no defects in said title, either of record or otherwise, not shown in said Abstract, of which **we** have any knowledge.

We **Further Certify**, That said O.L.Wood is in peaceable possession of said premises. / (This may be stated to be upon personal knowledge, or reliable information.)

**This Certificate** is made to THE UNION CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Dated at Caruthersville, Missouri, this 4th day of December, 1911

Per J. H. Y.  
Date **DEC 13 1911**

PEMISCOT COUNTY ABSTRACT & INVESTMENT COMPANY  
Abstractors.

No. 759-2. Certificate of Abstractor. 2-9-06. 20m.

**NOTICE.** All instruments should be abstracted from the records, and not from the original instruments; that is to say, when an abstractor files an instrument for record he should wait until it has been actually recorded and then make an abstract of it from the records.

*Charles H. Woods*  
Secretary

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State of Missouri, )  
County of Pemiscot. ) ss.

Nancy Jacobs, being duly sworn, on her <sup>oath</sup> says

that she was acquainted with William M. Hicks in his life-time, that the said William M. Hicks died on or about \_\_\_\_\_ 1884. Leaving as his lawful and only heirs, John J. Hicks, Thomas F. Hicks, <sup>William</sup> Melvin Hicks and Emma Hicks

and Ellen Hicks who died without issue <sup>before his father William M. Hicks</sup>  
Th at ~~afterwards~~ <sup>William</sup> Melvin Hicks died leaving as his lawful and only heirs His widow Nancy \_\_\_\_\_ Hicks and his son George Hicks, that afterwards the said Nancy \_\_\_\_\_ Hicks married one John W. Jacobs, and that said Nancy \_\_\_\_\_ Jacobs who was formerly the wife of <sup>William</sup> Melvin Hicks is the maker of this affidavit.

Th at said Emma Hicks, afterwards married one Alexander Vaughn and afterwards died leaving as her lawful and only heir her daughter, Josie Vaughn who afterwards married one Robert Sanders.

Said affiant further says that said William M. Hicks lived in Pemiscot County, Missouri at the date of his death.

She further states that the persons named above were the heirs at law of the said William M. Hicks and all of them, that she was personally acquainted with all of them.

And further this affiant sayeth not.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1909.

Nancy Jacobs

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1909.

*My term expires May 25<sup>th</sup> 1911*

James M. Ballard  
Notary Public.

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State of Missouri, }  
County of Pemiscot, } SS.

Josie Sanders of lawful age being first duly sworn upon her oath states that she was personally acquainted with William M. Hicks, who departed this life intestate, about the year 1874, leaving as his sole and only heirs the following persons;

John J. Hicks, Thomas F. Hicks and James Hicks, sons, and Emma Hicks and Ella Hicks, his daughters, and George Hicks, a grand son, who is the sole and only heir of William Melvin Hicks, a son of said deceased, the said William Melvin Hicks having departed this life prior to the death of his father; That James Hicks departed this life intestate, single, leaving no children about the year 1881.

That Emma Hicks intermarried with, and became the wife of Alexander Vaughn, and that the said Alexander Vaughn and Emma Vaughn have both departed this life, about the years 1890 and 1877, leaving as their sole and only heir, a daughter Josie Vaughn, who afterwards became the wife of Robert D. Sanders; That the wife of William M. Hicks deceased, departed this life about the year 1882;

That the said William M. Hicks deceased, left no other child, or children of a deceased child, and that his estate has been fully administered, <sup>and</sup> finally ~~and~~ discharged.

That Ella ~~Hicks~~ <sup>did</sup> Hicks about the year 1882, single and intestate.

That the Mary E, Hicks mentioned at No, 11 of this abstract was the wife of John J. Hicks.

*Witness to name J. W. Green*

*Josie <sup>her</sup> Sanders*  
*mark*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1909.

My commission expires May 25th, 1911.

*James M. Ballard*

Notary Public.



OFFICE OF NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF MISSOURI, }  
County of Pemiscot, } SS.

Nancy Jacobs of lawful age and being first duly sworn upon her oath states that she was personally acquainted with William M. Hicks in his life time, that the said William M. Hicks departed this life intestate, in about the year 1874, leaving as his sole and only heirs the following persons; John J. Hicks, Thomas F. Hicks, and James Hicks, his sons, and Emma Hicks and Ella Hicks, his Daughters, and George Hicks, a Grand Son, who was the sole and only heir of William Melvin Hicks, a deceased Son of the said William M. Hicks, the said William Melvin Hicks having departed this life prior to the death of his Father the said William M. Hicks.

That James Hicks departed this life intestate, single and unmarried, leaving no child or children, in about the year 1881.

That Ella Hicks departed this life intestate, single and unmarried, leaving no child or children, in about the year 1882.

That Emma Hicks intermarried with, and became the wife of Alexander Vaughn, and that the said Alexander Vaughn and Emma Vaughn have both departed this life, leaving as their sole and only heir a Daughter Josie Vaughn, who afterwards intermarried with, and became the wife of Robert D. Sanders.

That the said William M. Hicks deceased, left no other child or children of a deceased child; that the wife of the said William M. Hicks deceased, has departed this life, and that the estate of the said William M. Hicks, has been fully administered and discharged.

That Thomas F. Hicks mentioned at No, 11 of this abstract was at the time of said conveyance single and unmarried, and the Mary E, Hicks mentioned in said conveyance No, 11 of this abstract was the wife of the said John J. Hicks therein mentioned; and that William M. Hicks lived in Pemiscot County, Missouri, at the date of his death.

*Witness to Nancy Jacobs*  
*J. M. Green*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> August 1909.

My term expires May 25th, 1911.

sworn to before me this 15 day of November 1911.

*James M. Ballard*  
Notary Public.

STATE OF MISSOURI, )

County of Pemiscot, ) SS.

I, John W. McFarland, being the duly elec-

ted, qualified and acting Collector of the Revenue within and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the taxes, and all of them, including State, County, School, levee and ditch taxes for the year 1908 and all prior years, have been paid on the following described real estate to-wit:- The North East Quarter and the East Half of the South East Quarter of Section No. 25, Township No. Seventeen North, of Range No. Ten East, in Pemiscot County, Missouri, and that there are now no outstanding tax liens against the above described real estate.

*J W McFarland*

Collector of the Revenue Pemiscot County, Missouri.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th, day of August, 1909.

*E. S. Huffman*

Clerk of the Circuit Court Pemiscot County, Missouri.





STATE OF MISSOURI, }  
County of Pemiscot, } SS.

John W. Green, of lawful age being duly sworn on his oath states that he is personally acquainted with one Ransom Hicks, that he has known the said Ransom Hicks for more than thirty years, and that he knows that the Ransom Hicks and Rance Hicks mentioned in this abstract are one and the same person.

That the said Ransom Hicks does at this time, and has for more than thirty years prior thereto, resided in Pemiscot County, Missouri.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th, day of September, 1909.

John W. Green

Sterling H. McCarty

Judge of the Probate Court,  
Pemiscot County, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI.        )  
                                  ) SS.  
COUNTY OF PEMISCOT.     )

H. C. Garrett, being of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says; that he is 71 years of age, and has resided in Pemiscot County, Missouri, for 51 years.

Affiant further states that he was acquainted with Mexico Cole during his lifetime.

Affiant further states that Mexico Cole died on or about the 16th day of November, 1869, intestate, and left as his sole and surviving heirs at law, his widow Julia Cole, who is now dead, and the following children, to-wit:

Francis M. Cole, who is now dead,  
Stephen H. Cole, who is now living  
Julia Ann Swanner, (nee Cole) who is now dead,  
Emily M. Gay, (nee Cole) who is now dead,  
Nancy Patrick (nee Cole), who is now living,  
James M. Cole, who is now dead.

Affiant further states that Mexico Cole died solvent and that all of his debts have been paid, and to the best of his knowledge that there was an administration upon the estate of Mexico Cole.

Further affiant saith not.

H. C. Garrett

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of November 1911

My commission expires December 16, 1913.

W. H. [Signature]  
Notary Public.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF PEMIS

} SS.

G. A. Hale being duly sworn upon oath,  
deposes and says, that he is a Grand Son of Mexico Cole  
deceased. by marriage and has resided in Pemiscot County for 52 years.

Affiant further states that Mexico Cole died about the  
year 1869, and left as his surviving heirs at law, his widow Julia Cole  
who is now dead, and the following children, to-wit:

~~Francis M. Cole,  
Julia Ann Swanner, (nee Cole)  
Emily M. Gay, (nee Cole)  
Nancy Patrick, (nee Cole)  
Stephen H. Cole,  
James M. Cole.~~

Affiant further states that Francis M. Cole died intestate  
about the year 1882, and left as his sole and surviving heirs at law  
Mary A. Cole, his widow, who married one J.G. Kirkpatrick, and the follow-  
ing children:

Maggie Cole, who married one Moley Sherrill, and is now  
about 56 years of age. Affiant states that Moley Sherrill is now dead.

Harry Cole, age 34 years,

Francis M. Cole, who married one George W. Bradley, and is  
now about 30 years of age.

Julia Ann Swanner, died intestate about the year 1899, and  
left as her sole and surviving heirs at law, her husband Marshal G.  
Swanner, who is now dead, and the following children:

Alma J. Swanner, who married one George A. Hale, and is  
now about 50 years of age.

Nellie G. Swanner, who married one Victor McCoy, and  
is now 29 years of age.

Virgie H. Swanner, who married one Charles Wilks, and  
is now about 32 years of age.

Fannie G. Swanner, who married one James E. Wood, and  
is now about 39 years of age.

Lawrence Swanner who is about 36 years of age.

James B. Swanner who is about 41 years of age.

Affiant further states that Emily M. Gay died intestate about  
the year 1874, and left as her sole and surviving heirs at law, her  
husband John J. Gay, who is now dead and her son, Bunk F. Gay.

Affiant further states that James M. Cole died intestate  
about the year 1885, and left as his sole and surviving heirs at law;  
Jennie Cole, his widow, and one daughter, Laura Cole who married one  
J. M. Sparks, and she is now about 46 years of age.

Affiant further states that Stephen H. Cole and Nancy Patrick  
nee Cole, are still living.

Furtner affiant saith not.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1911.  
My commission expires December 16<sup>th</sup> 1913

G. A. Hale  
Notary Public.

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
COUNTY OF PERRY ) SS.

Nellie McCoy being duly sworn upon her oath,  
deposes and says; that she is a Grand Daughter of Mexico Cole deceased.

Affiant further states that Mexico Cole died about the year 1869, and left as his surviving heirs at law, his widow Julia Cole, who is now dead, and the following children, to-wit:

Francis M. Cole,  
Julia Ann Swanner, (nec Cole)  
Emily M. Gay (nec Cole)  
Nancy Patrick (nec Cole)  
Stephen H. Cole,  
James M. Cole.

Affiant further states that Francis M. Cole died intestate about the year 1882, and left as his sole and surviving heirs at law Mary A. Cole, his widow, who married one J. G. Kirkpatrick, and the following children:

Maggie Cole, who married one Moley Sherrill, and who is now about 36 years of age. Affiant further states that said Moley Sherrill is now dead.

Harry Cole, age 34 years,

Francis M. Cole, who married one George W. Bradley and is now about 30 years of age,

Julia Ann Swanner, died intestate about the year 1899 and left as her sole and surviving heirs at law, her husband Marshall G. Swanner, who is now dead, and the following children:

Alma J. Swanner, who married one George A. Hale, and is now about 50 years of age,

Nellie G. Swanner (this Affiant), who married one Victor McCoy, and is now 29 years of age.

Virgie L. Swanner, who married one Charles Wilks, and is now about 32 years of age,

Bannie G. Swanner who married one James E. Wood, and is now about 39 years of age,

Lawrence Swanner who is about 36 years of age,

James E. Swanner who is about 41 years of age,

Affiant further states that Emily M. Gay died intestate about the year 1874, and left as her sole and surviving heirs at law, her husband John J. Gay, who is now dead, and her son, Bunk F. Gay.

Affiant further states that James M. Cole died intestate about the year 1885, and left as his sole and surviving heirs at law; Jennie Cole his widow, and one daughter, Laura Cole, who married one J. W. Sparks, and she is now about 46 years of age.

Affiant further states that Stephen H. Cole and Nancy Patrick nee Cole, are still living.

Further affiant saith not.

Nellie McCoy

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1911.  
My commission expires December 16, 1913.

Charles W. Shields  
Notary Public.

STATE OF MISSOURI.  
COUNTY OF PEMISCOT.

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Mary S. Brooker being first duly sworn upon ~~his~~<sup>her</sup> oath deposes and says; that she is 61 years of age, and has resided in Pemiscot County, Missouri, for 61 years.

Affiant further states that she was acquainted with Mexico Cole during his lifetime.

Affiant further states that Mexico Cole died on or about the 16th day of November, 1869, intestate, and left as his sole and surviving heirs at law, his widow Julia Cole, who is now dead, and the following children, to-wit:

Francis M. Cole, who is now dead,  
Stephen H. Cole, who is now living,  
Julia Ann Swanner, (nee Cole), who is now dead,  
Emily M. Gay (nee Cole), who is now dead,  
Nancy Patrick (nee Cole), who is now living,  
James M. Cole, who is now dead.

Affiant further states that Mexico Cole died solvent and that all of his debts have been paid, and to the best of ~~his~~<sup>her</sup> knowledge that there was an administration upon the estate of Mexico Cole.

Further affiant saith not.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1911  
My commission expires Dec 16<sup>th</sup> 1911.

Mary S. Brooker

Paul Meeds  
Notary Public.