W.S.Cooper) Filed for record the 23" day of Jan A.D.1917,at 4:56 o'clock P.M.
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State of Iowa Madison County,SS.

I,W.S.Cooper,of said County and State on oath say that I was acquainted with G.W.Patterson,Sr.who died testate in Madison County,Iowa,on or about the twenty-seventh day of August,1911,and whose will was admitted to probate in the District Court of Madison County,Iowa,on October 3,1911,for more than twenty years prior to his death,and that the said decedent G.W.Patterson,Sr.was the same and identical person as the George W.Patterson to whom John Leeper and wife,on or about the twenty-fifth day of January,1890 conveyed the south half (½) of the southwest quarter (¼),and the northeast quarter (¼) of the southwest quarter (¼) of section eleven (11) in township seventy four (74) north,of range twenty-six (26) west of the Fifth P.M.,Iowa.

I also further say that I was acquainted with the firm of Gaston & Smith which was engaged in business in Winterset,Iowa,from prior to the year 1904 to about the year 1913, being the firm which on or about February 28,1910 filed a mechanic's lien against Lizzie Van and Lamon Van claiming a lien upon the southeast quarter (¼) of section twenty-three (23) and the west half (½) of the southwest quarter (¼) of section twenty-four (24) in township seventy five (75) north,of range twenty-eight (28) west of the Fifth P.M.,Iowa, and that during the entire period that said firm of Gaston & Smith was engaged in business,members of the firm were J.J.Gaston and W.F.Smith and no other persons.

W.S.Cooper.

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence by the said affiant,this 23rd day of January,A.D.1917.

NOTARIAL SEAL

Carl R.Meyer
Notary Public,in and for Madison County,Iowa.