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Greenleaf Clark, Counsel.

St. Paul, Minn., Feby. 25, 1893.

Mr. William A. Stephens,

St. Paul, Minn.

Dear sir:-

We have examined the record title to Lot No. 2 Block 42, Auerbach & Hands' Addition to St.Paul, as the same is indicated by Abstract furnished us certified under date of January 11,1893, consisting of 123 numbers, and from such examination are of the opinion that at the date stated in said certificate, to-wit, January 11,1893, the said records showed a good and substantial title of record to said property in Mary Corrigan, free and clear of incumbrance, except taxes for 1891, which appear from said abstract not to have been paid.

We have also examined the record title to Lot 25 of Block 1, J. F. Eisenmenger's Addition to St. Paul, as the same is indicated by abstract handed us and certified by the Abstract Clerk of Ramsey County under date of January 12, 1893, and from such examination of the tract last described we are of the opinion that on said January 12, 1893, one Peter Corrigan had good and substantial title of record to said lot, subject, however, to a mortgage

from John Swanson to Ferdinand Hoffman, dated March 1, 1889, for \$1200 due March 1, 1894, with interest at 8%.

Second. To a mortgage from Peter Corrigan to Charles Swanson dated January 10, 1890, for \$300. (See No. 48 of Abstract) Third. Taxes for 1892, \$21.73.

Fourth. This lot was formerly owned by one John Swanson, who acquired the same February 3, 1889, and who on January 10, 1890, conveyed the same to Corrigan.

Several judgments exist against one John Swanson, one for \$14.85 in favor of the County Treasurer, entered February 18, 1889; one in favor of Clarence Reaslee, entered May 31, 1889, for \$92.01; one in favor of F. W. Luley, entered October 5, 1889, for \$28.60; one in favor of C. F. Knauft, entered March 7, 1889 for \$83.36; one in favor of Eric Kiewert Co., entered July 3, 1880, and one in favor of Henry M. Lynch entered July 28, 1880. The two last named judgments are probably barred by the Statute of Limitations, even if they were against the same Swanson formerly owning this lot. Affidavits are on record in regard to the Knauft judgment and the Luley judgment, in which it is stated that the John Swanson against whom such judgments were recovered, is not the same Swanson who owned this lot. As to the other judgments we have no explanation.

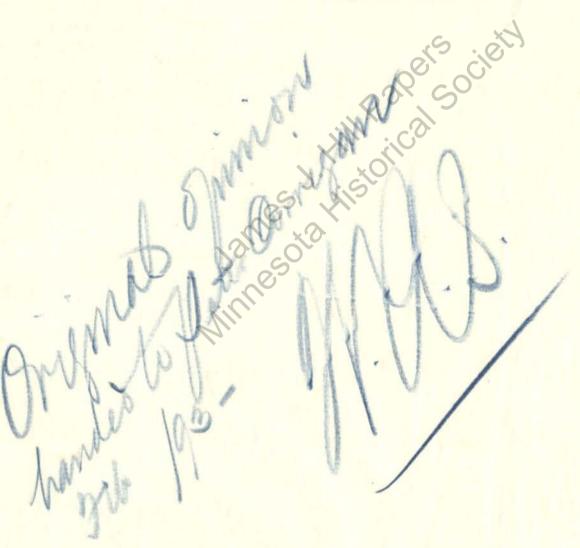
The property platted into the addition was in 1869 conveyed by George W. Armstrong and wife to Louis Eisenmenger and Frederick Eisenmenger, and in 1874 Louis Eisenmenger conveys his interest in the same to Frederick Eisenmenger. The land is platted and the subsequent conveyances made of the lot in question, by John Fred Eiesnmenger. We think there is no question but what Frederick Eisenmenger named in the original conveyances and the

John Frederick Eisenmenger making the plat and subsequently conveying this lot in question are one and the same person. There is an affidavit on file that this is the case, but such affidavit would be of no avail to prove the fact if such proof ever became necessary.

There is also docketed in the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Minnesota, a judgment for several hundred dollars in favor of C. & G. Cooper & Co. against one P. Cerrigan or Carrigan. The record is somewhat blind as to what the true name of the defendant in the action was. Unless the defendant in that action was the same proon who now claims this lot, it would not, of course, in any way affect it.

The matter of local assessments on either of these lots has not been enquired into. Such inquiry should be made, however, before any action is taken with reference to the property.

Very truly yours, (Signed) Eller & How.



RECEIVED, St. Paul, January .30-1893, from James J. Hill, Abstract of Title to Lot 25, Block 1, J. F. Eisenmenger's Addition St. Paul; being the same document described in a receipt, signed of said James J. Hill, per W. A. Stephens, under date 13th January, 1893. Stephens, under date 18th January, 1893.

James J. Hill

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Received from W. A. Stephens the follwoing abstracts of title;-

1 paper to Lot 2, Block 2, Auerbach & Hands' Addition to St. Paul, continued to January 11, 1893, at 8 A.M.

1 paper to Lot 25, Block 1, J. F. Eisenmenger's Addition to St. Paul; continued to January 12, 1893, at 8 A. M.

Dated St. Paul, Minn. Feb. 25, 1893.

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