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No. 2154

Estate of

H. A. Lewis, Dec.

W. L. Diamond, Admin. } No. 2154  
May 7<sup>th</sup> 1898

This day came on to be heard the account for final settlement of W. L. Diamond, administrator of the estate of H. A. Lewis, deceased & it appearing notice of <sup>return made</sup> account has been duly published as required by law & filed herein on 7<sup>th</sup> 1898 at a prior term of court & it appearing no exceptions or objections have been filed to said account & it being accompanied by proper vouchers showing there is nothing in the hands of said administrator & the court having examined said account and the vouchers accompanying same it is in all respects approved <sup>it is ordered that</sup> W. L. Diamond, administrator aforesaid is discharged from his said trust & administration upon said estate is declared closed upon the payment of the costs of administration & it appearing said costs have already been paid & satisfied administration on said estate is closed & said administrator discharged and released

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No. 2154

Estate of  
H. A. Lewis, Jr.

W. L. Seaward, Admin.

Order on This Account

Morris & Co. Inc.

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867-1978  
COMPTON BUSINESS COMPANY  
101 LAUREL ST.  
ALBION, N.Y.

JAMES C. PATTON,  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
DALLAS, TEXAS.

IN THE RE OF THE ESTATE: ( ) IN THE COUNTY COURT OF DALLAS COUNTY  
OF H.A. LEWIS, DECEASED. ( ) TEXAS.

Now comes Cassie Lewis, plaintiff herein, and leave of the court being first had, files this her first amended petition, <sup>by way of Bill of Remon</sup>, in lieu of her original petition filed herein on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1896, and shows the court that plaintiff, Cassie Lewis, and defendant W.L. Diamond both reside in the county of Dallas, Texas; that plaintiff is the widow of said H.A. Lewis, deceased; that said decedent died intestate on or about the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Jan. 1895, leaving no estate real or personal.

That on or about the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1896, defendant, W.L. Diamond, applied to your honorable court for letters of administration on the estate of said decedent, and at a succeeding term of said court letters were granted to him.

Plaintiff further shows that on or about the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 1896, defendant by misrepresentations, misleading, and calculating to, and which did deceive the plaintiff, induced plaintiff to waive her legal right as administrator of the estate of her deceased husband, H.A. Lewis, and to consent to the appointment of said defendant as administrator of said estate, as follows:

The said defendant through his attorneys, Morris & Crow, wrote a letter to plaintiff while she was temporarily residing in the town of Greenville, in Hunt County, Texas, requesting her to consent to said waiver, a copy of which said letter is hereto attached, marked

Exhibit A and made a part of this petition, and which waiver if waiver at all was is not accordance with the law.

Plaintiff further represents that the object and purpose of said letter was to induce plaintiff to waive her legal right

to administer said estate for the purpose of the fraudulent al-  
lowance of a claim against said estate which would not have been  
allowed and permitted had your petitioner been administratrix.  
~~namely: two notes, each of the sum of \$125~~ purporting to have been  
executed by your petitioner Cassie Lewis and her deceased husband,  
H.A. Lewis, payable to the America Investment Co. and which fact was  
well known to the said defendant, W.L. Diamond, or might have been  
known to him by the exercise of reasonable diligence and inquiry  
That said notes alleged to have been executed by your petitioner,  
Cassie Lewis, ~~were never executed by her~~ were never executed by her and that  
~~she~~ any one else to execute any note or otherwise on her name, and that  
~~she~~ were not a lien upon the property hereinafter described, all  
of which facts were well known to said defendant W.L. Diamond, admin-  
istrator, or could have been known to him by reasonable diligence  
and inquiry. ~~The claim was never forced up according to law~~

That on or about the 7 day of Nov. 1896  
said defendant W.L. Diamond, administrator, procured an order of court  
to sell in satisfaction of said notes, the following described prop-  
erty, well knowing that the title of said property was in this  
plaintiff and not in said intestate, H.A. Lewis, viz; One lot of land  
on the north side of Ross Avenue in the city of Dallas, Dallas Co.,  
Texas, fronting 96 1-4 feet on Ross Avenue by 220 1-2 feet in  
depth and being the same lot conveyed by A.J. Rosenfield and wife  
to Cassie Lewis by deed dated March 26, 1890, and recorded in Vol.  
131, records of deeds etc of Dallas County, Texas; said lot being the  
east half of an acre tract sold to H.S. Wood by Jefferson Peak,  
which deed is recorded in book 30, page 545, of the records of deeds  
of Dallas County, Texas; Beginning at a stake in the center of Ross

TO BOUND OR TO CROWN OR TO SEAL THIS BOUND MULITI PAGE NOT USE PAPER  
DO NOT SIGN THIS PAPER IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC

Avenue 96 I-4 feet N.45 E. of the east line of a ten acre tract  
sold by J.H.Cole to Wm.Adams;Thence north 45 east 96 I-4 feet;  
..... W. 220 I-2 feet Thence S.45 W. 96 I-4 feet;Thence S.  
45 E. 220 I-2 feet to the place of beginning.

That the said order and sale of said property is a cloud  
upon the title of your petition of property as her said property  
was her separate, and is now her separate property ; that said prop-  
erty was sold without the knowledge or consent of your petitioner  
and without the knowledge or consent of her three children,namely;  
Mrs.M.E.Rich,Lucile Lewis, and T.C.Lewis.;that said administration  
is null and void because of the fraudulent representation as here  
in before stated.

Your petitioner further states,as she is informed and  
so charges the fact to be that the pretended owner and holder of  
the said alleged notes is not the bona fide owner thereof and that  
the said American Investment Co. is a foreign corporation under  
and by virtue of the laws of the state of Iowa, and was doing busi-  
ness in the state of Texas without first having obtained a permit  
to do business in the state of Texas, according to the requirements  
of the statute of July 6th,1889, and had no authority to sue in the  
courts of the state of Texas on said notes:and that the pretended  
assignee of the said notes for which plaintiff's property was sold  
came into their possession without any consideration whatever, and  
said administrator has seen fit to allow fraudulently this claim,  
knowing the same to be possessed by him without consideration.

Plaintiff further shows that there was a collusion and conspiracy between said administrator, defendant herein, and said W.H. Male, the pretended owner of said notes, to procure letters of administration for said Diamond, defendant, and to foreclose on plaintiff's separate property to satisfy a fictitious and fraudulent claim against said estate of H.A. Lewis, deceased, by a transfer of said notes to the said Male without consideration and to evade the statutes aforesaid and for the confirmation of the said scheme no consideration was paid for the said notes by the said Male. Premises considered plaintiff prays that defendant be cited to answer this petition, that the order granting to him letters of administration be set aside and declared null and void, that said Diamond be removed as administrator of said estate, and that the deed executed by him to said W.H. Male be cancelled as a cloud upon the title of your petitioner to said property, and for such other and further relief as she may be entitled to receive either in law or equity.

J. C. Patton,  
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Mrs. Cassie Lewis, Plaintiff, herein and after being duly sworn on oath says, that the facts set out in the above and foregoing petition are true.

Mrs. Cassie Lewis.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6 day of February  
1897.

as Jackson County Clerk  
Dallas County, Tex  
By J. G. Taylor RY

*complaint* plaintiff now represents to the court <sup>that</sup> the two  
notes herein mentioned in her petition herein were not executed by  
her, nor by any person authorized by her to execute them for her  
or in her name; wherefore she says that said writing obligatory is  
not her act and deed, and of this she puts herself upon the count-  
try and *prays judgment of the court*

Mrs. Cassie Lewis.

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Mrs. Cassie  
Lewis, plaintiff, herein and after being duly sworn says under  
oath that the facts set out in her special plea above are true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February  
1897.

Dallas, Texas. Jan 22 1886

Mrs. Cassie Lewis,  
Greenville Texas.

Dear Madame,

We have concluded that it may be necessary to have an administrator appointed by the probate court in Dallas to properly represent the interests of yourself & children in the Ross Avenue property.

It will be necessary for such administrator to give a \$5000<sup>c</sup> bond & we think that H. L. Diamond with our assistance can make the bond. Please sign your name (Cassie Lewis) to the enclosed waiver of your right and have same also signed by the trustees & return to us.

Please send us the names and ages of all your children.

We will write you as to further proceedings in the matter.

Very respectfully  
Morris & Crow

IN THE RE OF THE ESTATE OF

H.A. LEWIS, DECEASED.

VS

PLAINTIFF'S 1ST AMENDED PETITION

FILED Oct. 6 1897  
A. S. JACKSON,  
CLERK OF THE CIVILIAN COURTS, TEXAS  
BY J. C. PATTON, DEPUTY.

JAMES C. PATTON,  
ATTORNEY-IN-LAW,  
101 Main Street, DALLAS, TEXAS.

No. 2154

Estate of } County Court Dallas County  
H. A. Lewis, Deceased } Texas

To the Hon. Kenneth Horne judge of said Court

W. L. Dearwood, administrator of the  
estate of H. A. Lewis, deceased, comes & under  
oath presents to the Court his account  
for final settlement of such estate as  
follows:

- 1 - The only property that has come into his  
possession is the lot of land 95 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet X  
220 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet on the North side of Ross Avenue  
in the city & County of Dallas, Texas as shown  
in the Inventory on file herein.
- 2 - Said property was sold to W. H. Male for  
\$32 81 20 the debt accrued by Vendor's lien  
on said lot & report of sale filed herein  
Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1896 & decree <sup>entered</sup> confirming said sale  
of date Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1896 & ordering dead wood  
& a further decree of date Jan 14, 1897 creating  
an error in the prior bid for said lot of  
land reducing it from \$41 66 <sup>65</sup> to \$32 81 <sup>20</sup>  
<sup>the true amount of bid</sup>  
a deed was made of date Oct 27, 1897 to W. H. Male
- 3 - The debt of W. H. Male accrued by a Vendor's lien on said  
lot of land has been paid by a sale of said lot of  
land to him - the lot being received in full  
satisfaction of the debt & the only consideration of the  
sale of the lot was said debt.
- 4 - No debts are owing by the estate & the expenses of  
administration are to be paid by W. H. Male out of  
the proceeds of said sale.
- 5 - There is no property on hand.
- 6 - The voucher of W. H. Male is filed herewith  
showing payment & satisfaction of said debt  
by the transfer & sale of said lot of land.

Wherefore said estate having been fully administered your applicant prays for citation as required by law & on final hearing that he be discharged & said administration closed.

Morris Coss  
Attorney for W.L. Diamond

W.L. Diamond, being duly sworn says the material allegations of the foregoing report & account for final settlement are true in substance & in fact.

subscribed & sworn to before me this Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 1897

W.M. Coss  
Notary Public  
Dallas County Texas

No. 21556 D  
Estate of H. A. Davis, Dec.  
W.L. Diamond, Admin.  
Acc. and final Settlement

FILED

Apr. 8, 1898  
4 S. 1930 N.  
Wm. Coss, Notary Public

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Final Accts. given  
and paid off from  
and allow to stand  
which charged upon  
payments & parts  
Wm. Coss  
and Coss

Received  
Wm. Coss  
Notary Public  
Date of record of Wm. Coss  
Wm. Coss  
Wm. Coss

Estate of H. A. Lewis, deceased } County Court  
Dallas County, Texa  
Gray Term 1897

Now comes W. L. Diamond, administrator of the estate of H. A. Lewis, deceased & shows to the court that in his report of sale of real estate filed herein Nov. 11, 1896 the consideration is stated at \$4166<sup>60</sup> paid by W. H. Wale when in truth & in fact said W. H. Wale only intended to bid the amount of his debt against said estate, to-wit: the sum of \$2500<sup>00</sup> principal, and two coupons of \$62<sup>50</sup> each, amounting to ~~\$125.00~~ \$125. & that there is interest at 10% on said first note since its maturity March 26, 1893 to the date of said sale amounting to \$453<sup>10</sup> and interest on the other note since March 26, 1893 amounting to \$203<sup>10</sup> making due on said debt Nov 11, 1896 when the report of sale was made as follows:

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| On two notes of \$1250. each to principal \$2500. |
| " two coupons on the last note 125.               |
| Interest on the first note since maturity 453.10  |
| " " " second " " 203.10                           |

Total due on said two notes \$3281.20  
That the mistake of the bid was made by your applicant attorney

Said sum of \$3281.20 or the total balance due on the debt of W. H. Wale is what he intended to bid on said property & your applicant allows that W. H. Wale declines to accept deed & complete said purchase until this correction is made & this report is filed in connection with the original Report of sale & the same is asked to be approved & deed ordered made for said consideration.

Morris & Cook  
Attorneys for W. L. Diamond  
Admin.

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Estate of H. A. Lewis Dec.

Application to modify Deed  
of Sale of Real Estate &  
for order to make deed

FILED June 5 1897

J. S. JACKSON,  
County Clerk, Dallas County, Tex.

~~W. K. Taylor~~

June 14 1897  
Application granted  
and Deed ordered  
made upon per-  
chaser's compliance  
with terms of sale

M. W. McGehee  
Co. Judge

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Recorded in Minutes

Cassie Lewis

16524, vs.

W.L.Diamond.

October 26th, 1897.

This day, October 26th, 1897, this cause being called for trial, came each, Cassie Lewis and W.L.Diamond, by their respective attorneys, and announced ready for trial, and it being agreed the general demurrer of W.L. Diamond to the petition or complaint of Cassie Lewis should be sustained and said agreement being made and announced in open Court, said general demurrer is in all things sustained.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that plaintiff, Cassie Lewis, take and recover nothing of W.L.Diamond on account of her action herein and that he go hence without day and recover of said plaintiff his costs, for which execution may issue, and that this decree be certified to the County Court of Dallas County, Texas, and to the Clerk of said Court for observance as the law requires.

The State of Texas,

County of Dallas,

I, H.W.Jones, Clerk, District Courts, in and for Dallas County, Texas, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the judgment and decree of the Court rendered and entered in said above numbered and entitled cause as the same now appears of record in my office in Book 9, page 548, Minutes of the District Court of the 14th Judicial District of Texas, in and for Dallas County.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at Dallas, this, the 27th day of October, A.D. 1897.

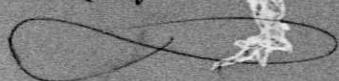
H.W.Jones,  
Clerk, Dist. Courts, Dallas Co., Tex.

No 16524

Cassie Lewis

vs

W L Diamond



Certified Copy

of  
Judgment

Filed Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1897.

At Jackson Co. Clerk  
Dallas Co. Texas  
By W. R. Rawlin's Deputy

Recorded M. page 4.

MORRIS & CROW.  
LAWYERS.

North Tex. Nat'l Bank Bldg.  
Rooms 304 and 305

M. L. MORRIS,  
W. M. CROW.

Dallas, Texas. Oct 27, 1897

By the sale & conveyance to me of the lot of  
land on which I hold a Vendor's lien  
as described in the inventory herein I  
acknowledge the payment & cancellation of  
the debt & Vendor's lien I hold against  
the estate of H. A. Lewis aggregating  
when the report of sale was made  
Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1896 \$3281<sup>20</sup> as it appears  
established & on file herein for my  
notes against H. A. Lewis & Cassie Lewis.  
This being the only consideration of said  
sale to-wit: the payment & cancellation  
of said debt & I agree to pay the costs  
of the administration out of the proceeds  
of said property so bought by me but I am  
not to pay the costs incurred by Cassie Lewis  
& for which judgment is rendered against her.

Mos Glazier  
atty for W.H. male

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No. 2154 20

Estate of  
H. A. Lewis Esq.  
W. L. Diamond Adams.

Voucher No. 1 of H. H. May

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Nov 8 1897

A. S. JACKSON,  
~~Attala County, Miss.~~

Estate of County Court Dallas  
H. A. Lewis, Deceased County, Texas  
No. 2156 W.L. Diamond, Adv. January 1897

To the Hon. Kenneth Horne judge of said Court  
1 - Now comes W.L. Diamond & replying  
to the plea & complaint of Cassie Lewis,  
plaintiff demands generally thereto & says  
it is insufficient in law & shows no  
cause of action & of this prays judgment  
2 - Defendant excepts specially to said petition  
because it appears therefrom that complaint  
is made of the sale of a certain piece  
of real estate which was sold at a former  
term of this court & report duly made of  
same which was confirmed by this court  
<sup>a deed ordered made</sup>  
<sup>to all orders</sup> ~~and~~ judgments concerning  
same are now final decrees of this  
court & cannot be attacked in this way  
3 - Defendant for answer says that Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 1896  
Mrs. Cassie Lewis <sup>wishes on file herein</sup> waived in writing her right  
to be appointed administrator of the estate  
of H. A. Lewis, Deceased in favor of W.L. Diamond  
who afterwards on April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1896 filed his application  
herein to be appointed such administrator  
after due notice as required by law he was  
by this court appointed administrator of  
said estate & gave bond & took the  
oath all as required by law & qualified

as such administrator May 27<sup>th</sup> 1896  
 That on July 10<sup>th</sup> 1896 the defendant filed his inventory  
 of the property of said estate as shown herein that  
 there was no property belonging to said estate except  
 the lot of land described in the plaintiff's petition  
 & as shown in the said inventory & which was  
 appraised at \$22 00 <sup>00</sup>

That afterwards on Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1896 W. L. Diamond Admin.  
 approved the claim of W. H. Male - being two  
 notes of \$1250. each - secured by trust deed or  
 mortgage, & a part of the purchase money  
 of said lot of land & said claim was  
 afterwards filed in Court & on Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 1896  
 approved as a third class claim & a lien  
 on said lot of land.

On Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1896 W. L. Diamond admin. filed his  
 application to sell said land - the proceeds to  
 be applied to pay said claim - and on  
 Nov 7, 1896, <sup>after notice as required by law</sup> said land was ordered sold  
 at private sale for cash & on Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1896  
 said W. L. Diamond as Admin. sold said land to  
 W. H. Male for \$4166 <sup>66</sup> covering the amount  
 of said debt, & largely more than said  
 property was really worth & on Nov 11<sup>th</sup>  
 1896 report was made of said sale & it was  
 confirmed by the court Nov 25<sup>th</sup> 1896 & deed  
 ordered made & which has been made.

¶ That all said orders & decrees are now  
 final <sup>& were not affected by</sup> & conclusions cannot be thereafter altered

that W.L. Diamond as administrator or otherwise  
cannot now further control said matters &  
W.H. Male is not a party to the proceeding  
& if there was fraud as charged neither  
he nor W.L. Diamond had any notice of  
the same.

That the sole purpose of said administration  
was to remove cloud from title & inform the  
lien of W.H. Male against said property  
& as against the heirs of H.A. Lewis - that  
there is no other property belonging to said estate &  
no other debt against said estate & the said  
W.L. Diamond is now ready to make his  
final report & be discharged as there  
is no necessity for prolonging the  
administration.

That Cassie Lewis was fully advised & knew the  
purpose of said administration & consented thereto &  
afterwards by ~~for~~ during about August 1896 bound  
on said premises with the consent & by permission  
of W.L. Diamond agreeing to vacate & move out as  
soon as the property was sold by the administrator.

4- That prior to said administration said W.H. Male holding  
a trust deed given on said lot of land to secure said  
notes & signed by both H.A. Lewis and Cassie Lewis,  
procured the trustee thereon to advertise said  
property & sell it - as required by the terms of  
said trust deed & this all being done

at the said W. H. Vale became the purchaser whereby he acquired all the right & title of Cassie Lewis in & to said property & she ~~now~~ does not own or control any interest in the same & has no cause of complaint - all of which ~~plaintiff~~ defendant is ready to verify & forgo judgment.

5. - Defendant further says the issue made by the plaintiff involves the title to said lot of land & this court is without jurisdiction to hear & determine her plea of ~~of this~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~for~~ judgment and that a writ of possession issues & possession of said premises be delivered to W. H. Vale or ~~that~~ Cassie Lewis be ordered to make <sup>over</sup> ~~over~~ to him & <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ his attorney for defendant.

attorneys for defendant.

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L. A. Lewis, Jr.

W. L. Diamond, Adams

Original Arnold of  
W. L. Diamond, Adams to  
the Plaintiff of Cassie Lewis

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Attala County  
Tenn.  
W. H. Cawthon, Esq.

Maurice Clegg  
Atala Co., Tenn.

MORRIS &amp; CROW.

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,  
Room 204, 200 N. Tex. St., Dallas, Texas.M. L. MORRIS,  
W. M. CROW.

Dallas, Texas, Nov 10, 1896.

Estate of H A Lewis deceased

To W. L. Diamond, administrator

Dr

To amount due Morris & Crow for legal  
services in re said Estate

\$200.00

To amount due Diamond for services  
as administrator in lieu of  
commissions
$$\begin{array}{r} \$100.00 \\ \hline \$300.00 \end{array}$$
The State of Texas,  
County of Dallas,

Before me the undersigned notary  
on this day personally appeared W. L. Diamond who being  
by me duly sworn says on oath that the above claim  
is just & that all legal effects, payments & credits  
hence to affiant have been allowed.

Swear & subscribed before me W. L. Diamond  
this Nov 10 - 1896. W. L. Diamond

Notary Public  
Dallas County, Texas

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Claim of  
W. L. Diamond &  
Morms & Caw  
\$300.00

Decd Nov 11 - 1816  
L S Sherrill Co. Gen  
1804 J. T. Day & W. H.

on 2<sup>nd</sup>  
The written claims  
of morms & caw  
atty and W. L.  
Diamond adem  
by cause and  
appraised at one  
allowance and  
or bndl space  
in due course  
of all my written  
Munation  
Co. Judge

REPORT OF SALE.

No. 2156

Estate of H. A. Lewis, Deceased)

IN COUNTY COURT,

W. L. Diamond, Administrator)

DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS.

To the Honorable County Judge of said County:

NOW COMES

W. L. Diamond, Administrator of said Estate,

and respectfully shows that, in obedience to an order of said Court made on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of November

A. D. 1896, he sold on the 9 day of November A. D. 1896 at Dallas<sup>for</sup> \$4000<sup>00</sup> to W. H. Neale

the property therein named, of the following description, to wit:

One lot of land on the North side of Ross Avenue in the City & County of Dallas, less fronting 96 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet on Ross Avenue by 220 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet in depth & being the same lot conveyed by A. J. Rosenfield & Wife to Cassie Lewis by deed dated March 26<sup>th</sup> 1890 & recorded in Vol. 126 page 131 Record of deeds etc. of Dallas County, Texas

Said lot being the East half of an acre tract sold to H. A. Wood by Jefferson Peaks which deed is recorded in Book 30 page 545 of the record of deeds of Dallas County, Texas - beginning at a stake in the center of Ross Avenue 96 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet N. 45° E. of the East line of a ten acre tract sold by J. H. Cole to Wm Adams - thence N. 45° E. 96 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet - thence N. 45° W. 220 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet - thence S. 45° E. 96 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet thence S. 45° E. 220 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet to the place of beginning

That said property was sold at a fair price for cash at private sale.

Said W. L. Diamond therefore prays that said sale so made, as aforesaid, be approved and confirmed, and that he be authorized and directed to make title to the purchaser aforesaid.

W. L. Diamond  
Administrator

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, this the 10 day of November A. D. 1896

W. L. Diamond, Notary Public  
Dallas County, Texas

No 215-C-4

Estate of T. A. Lewis

Report of Sale

Dated Nov 11 1896

I H Hughes Co exec

By J. T. Farley Esq

Nov 25 - Report by  
A. C. and approx  
and A. Adams  
ordered to make  
and upon other  
purchaser complete  
and correct collection

M. J. Allendale  
Co. Judge

Recorded in Minutes.

~~No. 2156~~

Estate of  
 H. A. Lewis, Deced. } No. 2156  
 W. L. Diamond, Adm'r. } June 5<sup>th</sup> 1897

This day this cause being called  
 for trial on the petition of Cassie Lewis  
 to remove W. L. Diamond as administrator  
 & declare certain sales of real estate  
 void & the court having heard &  
 considered some of the general and  
 special exceptions of W. L. Diamond  
 thereto in connection with the record  
 in the case & the facts as they  
 appear therein is of the opinion that  
 the petition of Cassie Lewis above  
 be dismissed & that she recover nothing.  
 It is therefore ordered, adjudged  
 & decreed by the court that the  
 petition of Cassie Lewis take and  
 recover nothing of W. L. Diamond  
 & that he go hence without day  
 & recover of said Cassie Lewis  
 his costs incurred for which execution  
 may issue & that the officers of  
 court have execution against  
 Cassie Lewis for the costs by her  
 incurred.

*McWhorter*  
*C. J. Page*

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No. 2154

Estate of H.A. Lewis

Order Dismissing Petition  
of Sam Lewis

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W.H. Jacobs

Court of M-395-

Coley Reed

STATE OF TEXAS, | Estate of H. A. Jewis, Deceased.  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

WHEREAS in the ~~certain~~ proceeding in the County Court of  
Dallas County, Texas, in the estate of H.A. Lewis, deceased, at the May  
Term, 1897, of said court, the following judgment was rendered, viz:-

ESTATE of H.A.LEWIS, DECEASED, | No. 2156.  
W.L.DIAMOND, ADM'R. , June 5, 1897.

This day this cause being called for trial on the petition of Cassie Lewis to remove W.L.Diamond as administrator, and declare certain sales of real estate void, and the court, having heard and considered same and the general and special exceptions of W.L.Diamond thereto in connection with the record in the case and the facts as they appear therein, is of the opinion that the petition of Cassie Lewis should be dismissed and that she recover nothing.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that the petitioner, Cassie Lewis, take and recover nothing of W.L. Diamond and that he go hence without day, and recover of said Cassie Lewis his costs incurred, for which execution may issue, and that the officers of court have execution against Cassie Lewis for the costs by her incurred. Kenneth Force, Co.Judge.

from which judgment Mrs.Cassie Lewis has appealed to the District Court of said Dallas county and given notice of said appeal, an entry whereof has been entered of record in said County Court and the amount of bond fixed by said court at One Hundred Dollars;

NOW, THEREFORE, the said Mrs.Cassie Lewis, being too poor to give bond to appeal said case, now makes this oath:

*Loving, personally, before me,*  
Mrs.Cassie Lewis having been duly sworn on oath says  
that she has made diligent efforts to give the appeal bond herein,  
and is unable to do so by reason of her poverty.

*Mrs. Cassie Lewis.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16 day of June,  
A.D.1897.

*Walter J. Lummom  
Notary Public  
Dallas County, Texas*

(7) No 2156

In the Estate  
of H. A. Lewis  
deceased

Affidavit  
of Mrs Corrie Lewis  
in appeal

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S. JACKSON,  
CLERK

Estate of }  
H. A. Lewis } No. 2156  
W. L. Diamond, Admin } June 14, 1897

This day came on to be heard the application of W. L. Diamond to correct the report of sale of real estate filed herein Nov. 11, 1896 & it appearing the bid of W. H. Male for said land was the amount of his debt & not the sum of \$ 4146 <sup>44</sup> as stated in said report & the amount of said debt being found to be \$ 3281 <sup>20</sup> on Nov. 11, 1896 and it further appearing W. H. Male has not yet received & accepted the deed of the administrator & it further appearing said sum of \$ 3281 <sup>20</sup> is a fair price for said land.

It is ordered, adjudged & decreed by the Court that said report of sale filed herein Nov 11, 1896 as amended in a supplemental report filed herein June 5, 1897 & the original order of the Court approving said report of sale entered herein Nov. 25, 1896 & recorded in Minute Book <sup>1</sup> pages 138 be corrected so as to <sup>rest of</sup> correct the consideration & make it \$ 3281 <sup>20</sup> & as corrected that said report of sale be in all things confirmed & approved & W. L. Diamond, administrator is ordered to make deed to W. H. Male on

No. 2156

Estate of  
H. A. Lewis

order approving supplemental  
Report of sale Compting origins  
Report & order

Courtney  
M-395

Judgment of his heir of \$3251 20 and  
cancelation of his debt against said  
estate

NOTICE OF FILING ANNUAL ACCOUNT—[ADMINISTRATOR.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

*W. A. Lewis* To all Persons Interested in the Estate of  
*Deceased.*

*W. S. Diamond* Administrator, has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, his Final Account showing the condition of said Estate, together with his petition to close the administration and to be finally discharged as administrator of said Estate, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in January A. D. 1898, at the Court House in the City of Dallas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate shall appear and contest said Account if they see proper. *To the above*

WITNESS, *A. S. Jackson*, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Dallas, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November A. D. 1897.

*Issued this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. 1897* — *A. S. JACKSON H. HUGHES,*  
County Clerk Dallas County, Texas.

By *W. B. Rawlins*, Deputy.

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DEPUTY.

17 No. 2156

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

H. A. Lewis

Deceased.

Notice of Filing  
Account.

Issued this 17<sup>th</sup> day of  
October 1897

L. H. RUGHER,  
COUNTY CLERK.  
By [Signature] Deputy.

White & Younger, Printers and Blank Book Makers, Dallas.  
Gave to Sheriff on Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1897 and  
directed by Sheriff to be  
published in the Dallas Democrat  
Daily Telegraph, published in  
the City and County of Dallas Texas  
Twenty days prior to return date  
Name of testator deceased 1st 21<sup>st</sup>  
and 26<sup>th</sup> of 1897 a copy of said  
publication is sent to attached and  
made copy of Sheriff's return  
on this will

R. E. Coffell, Sheriff  
Dallas County  
Just \$85.00 per copy

State of Texas. Before me this day presented  
County of Dallas, applicant of Plano, Texas  
by John W. Jones, attorney for Plaintiff  
in the suit between John S. Lewis, Plaintiff  
and H. A. Lewis, Plaintiff in error, Plaintiff  
is the Plaintiff in error, Plaintiff in error,  
a newspaper publisher, deceased in the  
state and county aforesaid, and died in the  
year one thousand eight hundred and  
ninety three, was pronounced dead on the  
twelfth day of January, 1898.

Given on the 7th day of January, 1898.

**The State of Texas.****To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dallas County—GREETING:**

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

*W. L. Diamond*

to appear before the Honorable County Court of Dallas County, State of Texas, at a regular term thereof, to be held at the Court House of said County, in the City of Dallas, on the *First* Monday in *January*, 189*7*, then and there to answer the petition of

*Mrs. Cassie Lewis,*filed in said Court on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 189*6*, against the said*W. L. Diamond,*

In re Estate of W. A. Lewis Deceased,  
for suit; said suit being numbered 2156, the nature of which demand is as follows, to-wit:  
Plaintiff alleges that by misrepresentations, W. L.  
Diamond induced plaintiff to waive her right as administratrix and to consent to the appointment of said W. L. Diamond as administrator of the Estate of W. A. Lewis Deceased, that defendant with fraudulent intent  
has sold property which was her separate estate,  
without her knowledge or consent, and prays that  
the order granting defendant letters of Administration be set aside that said Diamond be removed as Administrator of said Estate, and that the deed executed by her to Mr. W. M. Mays be cancelled, and for such other and further relief as she may be entitled to,  
receive either in law or equity.

and you will deliver to the said

*W. L. Diamond,*

a true copy of this Citation.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but due service and return hereof make, showing how you have  
executed the same.

ATTEST: L. H. AUGUSTINE, Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and Seal of office, at Dallas, this 9<sup>th</sup>  
day of December 189*6**L. H. Augustine,*

Clerk County Court, Dallas County, Texas.

By *W. L. Lewis*

Deputy.

## SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand on the

day of

Dec.

1896 and executed

on the 10 day of

Dec.

1896 by delivering to

W.L.

Decimus

the within named defendant in person, a

true copy of this writ.

Serving Copy.

FEES:

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| \$ 1.50 |
| \$ 10   |
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| \$ 1.60 |

Milage.

TOTAL.

By

Rud E. Howell Sheriff Dallas Co., Texas.

P.H. Murphy Deputy.

CITATION.

No. 1156.

## COUNTY COURT,

DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS.

In re Estate of  
H. C. Stevens  
Decimus

Issued this 9<sup>th</sup> day of  
Dec. 1896  
A. S. JACKSON, Clerk.  
By M. B. Lawton  
Deputy.

## The State of Texas,

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of H G LewisDeceased.

W L Deinard administrator of said Estate, has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, an application for the sale of certain lands belonging to said Estate for the payment of the debts due of the following description, to-wit: One lot of land on the North side of Ross Avenue in the City and County of Dallas Texas fronting 96 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet on Ross Avenue by 220 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet in Deed record book the Deed lot described by A. J. Rosefield and wife to Cassie Lewis by deed dated March 26, 1890 and recorded in vol. 196, page 131 Record of Deeds of Dallas County Texas

which application will be heard at the next regular term of said Court, commencing on the First Monday in November A. D. 1896, at the Court House in the City of Dallas, at which time and place all persons interested in said Estate shall appear and contest said application, and show cause why such sale should not be made, should they choose to do so.

WITNESS: L. H. HUGHES, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the City of Dallas, this 25 day of Sept A. D. 1896

L. H. HUGHES,

County Clerk Dallas County, Texas.

By

H Taylor Deputy

9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 190

2156

No. ~~2255~~

COUNTY COURT.

STATE OF

*J. H. Lewis*

Deceased.

Notice of Application for Sale of Real Estate.

Issued this 25 day of Sept

A. D. 1896

L. H. HUGHES, Co. Clerk.

By

*J. H. Taylor* Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Same to hand on the 25 day of  
Sept 1896, and executed  
the 26 day of Sept 1896  
by posting up three copies of this writ at three  
public places in Dallas County, one of which  
was the Court House door of said County, and  
no two of which were in the same town or city.

*Ben E. Carter*  
SHERIFF DALLAS COUNTY.

By J. H. Carson Deputy.

A. D. ALDRIDGE & CO., PRINTERS, DALLAS.

*Gas \$300  
Received*

## THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dallas County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

*Alice McDiamond*

to be and appear before the Honorable County Court of Dallas County, Texas, to be held at the Court House of said County, instanter.

then and there to testify as witness in behalf of the *in Est H. C. Lewis Reed*

in ~~Criminal action pending in said Court wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and~~

~~Defendant, and there remain from day to day~~

and from term to term until discharged by due course of law.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS my official signature at

this 6 day of *July* 1897

A. S. JACKSON, Clerk,

County Court, Dallas County, Texas.

By

Deputy.

## THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dallas County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

*Thas Shearau*

to be and appear before the Honorable County Court of Dallas County, Texas, to be held at the Court House of said County, instanter.

then and there to testify as witness in behalf of the *Mrs H. C. Lewis*

~~in criminal action pending in said Court wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and~~ *in the matter of the Estate of H. C. Lewis Reed*

~~Defendant, and there remain from day to day~~

and from term to term until discharged by due course of law.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS my official signature at

this 6 day of *July* 1897

A. S. JACKSON, Clerk,

County Court, Dallas County, Texas.

By

Deputy.

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No.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
*Ed. H. Lewis*

**SUBPOENA.**  
CRIMINAL INSTANTER.

Issued 6 day of *Feby* 1897  
By *J. H. Taylor* Deputy.  
A. S. JACKSON, Clerk.

Came to hand 6 day of *Feby* 1897  
and executed 6 day of *Feby* 1897  
by reading the within Subpoena in the presence and  
hearing of *H. L. Diamond*

the within named Witnesses.  
*B. E. CABELL*, Sheriff,  
Dallas County, Texas.  
By *Rawson* Deputy.

**SHERIFF'S FEES**

|           |   |               |       |
|-----------|---|---------------|-------|
| Summoning | 1 | Witnesses,    | \$ 50 |
| Mileage,  |   | miles at 5c., | \$ 10 |
| Total,    |   |               | \$ 60 |

ROBERT PENTON CO., DALLAS, TEX.

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No.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
*Ed. H. Lewis*

**SUBPOENA.**  
CRIMINAL INSTANTER.

Issued 6 day of *Feby* 1897  
By *J. H. Grayson* Deputy.  
A. S. JACKSON, Clerk.

Came to hand 6 day of *Feby* 1897  
and executed 6 day of *Feby* 1897  
by reading the within Subpoena in the presence and  
hearing of *Thomas Sherman*

the within named Witnesses.  
*B. E. CABELL*, Sheriff,  
Dallas County, Texas.  
By *Rawson* Deputy.

**SHERIFF'S FEES**

|           |   |               |       |
|-----------|---|---------------|-------|
| Summoning | 1 | Witnesses,    | \$ 50 |
| Mileage,  |   | miles at 5c., | \$ 10 |
| Total,    |   |               | \$ 60 |

ROBERT PENTON CO., DALLAS, TEX.

Estate of / In County Court, Dallas County  
H. A. Lewis, Dec'd. / Texas. Sept. term 1896.

To Hon. T. F. Nash, Judge of said Court;

W. L. Diamond administrator of the estate of H. A. Lewis deceased, would respectfully show that it is necessary to sell all the real estate of said estate as shown by the inventory heretofore filed herein, consisting of one lot of land on Ross Ave. in the City and County of Dallas, Texas and more fully described as follows: One lot of land on the North side of Ross Avenue in the City and County of Dallas, Texas, fronting 96 1/4 feet on Ross Avenue by 220 1/2 feet in depth and being the same lot conveyed by A. J. Rosenfield and wife to Cassie Lewis by deed dated March 26, 1890 and recorded in Vol. 126, page 131 Record of Deeds etc., of Dallas County, Texas.

That it is necessary to sell the above land or so much as may be necessary to satisfy a first mortgage lien on same now owned by W. H. Male, and consisting of two notes ~~Notes~~ signed H. A. Lewis, Cassie Lewis and payable to American Investment Co., \$1250, each, Date 3/26/1890, and due 3/26/1893 and 3/26/1895; at 10% <sup>interest</sup> from date to maturity, and 12% after maturity, interest payable semi-annually and to draw 12% after its maturity, which claim has been approved by this Court as a third class claim by an order made and entered on the 19th day of Sept. 1896.

That there are no funds belonging to said estate for the payment of said claim and there is no personal property belonging to said estate.

That there are no other charges and claims against said estate that have been approved or established by suit or otherwise and none have been rejected and the estimated expenses of administration are ~~\$300.00~~ <sup>300.00</sup>, and there is no property of said estate except the real estate hereinbefore described and therefore no necessity for an exhibit to be attached hereto.

Wherefore he asks that citation issue as required by law and upon hearing that an order be granted herein directing the sale of said real estate at private sale for cash.

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 23rd day of September 1896  
William Notary Public  
Dallas County, Texas

*W. L. Diamond*

1400 Main Street • Suite 100 • Dallas • Texas  
• Post Office Box 1000 • Dallas • Texas  
• 75201 •

1400 Main Street • Suite 100 • Dallas • Texas  
• Post Office Box 1000 • Dallas • Texas  
• 75201 •

whereas I, the undersigned, have been granted  
a certificate of title to certain real estate located at 1400 Main Street  
in Dallas, Texas, for and in consideration thereof, I hereby grant unto you  
the authority to sell said real estate, subject to the following conditions:  
1. You shall not sell said real estate for less than \$10,000.  
2. You shall not sell said real estate without giving you  
written notice of your intent to do so, at least 30 days prior  
to the date of sale.  
3. You shall not sell said real estate to any person  
other than the original owner or his heirs.  
4. You shall not sell said real estate for less than \$10,000.  
5. You shall not sell said real estate to any person  
other than the original owner or his heirs.

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Estate of A. A. Lewis  
deed

Petition for Order of  
Sale of Real Estate

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SEP 26 1896

L. H. BREWER, County Clerk  
By J. F. Gaston Deputy

Application granted  
for the real estate  
described herein  
ordered sold at  
private sale for  
cash.

Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1896 J. F. Gaston  
M. 100 Co. Judge  
Recorded in Minutes  
Miscellaneous Dept.

Morris Hartman  
Atty for Plaintiff  
W. S. Deacon

1400 Main Street • Suite 100 • Dallas • Texas  
• Post Office Box 1000 • Dallas • Texas  
• 75201 •

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STATE OF TEXAS, | In County Court, Dallas County, Texas.  
County of Dallas.

In the Matter of Administration on the Estate of H.A. Lewis, Dec'd.

To Said Honorable Court:-

Your petitioner, Cassie Lewis, plaintiff, com<sup>p</sup>laining of W.L. Diamond, defendant, respectfully represents that plaintiff and defendant reside in the county of Dallas, Texas; that plaintiff is the widow of said H.A. Lewis, deceased; that said decedent died intestate on or about the day of 18 , leaving no estate, real or personal.

That on or about the day of 1896, defendant, W.L. Diamond, applied to your honorable court for letters of administration on the estate of said decedent, and at a succeeding term of said court letters of administration were granted to him.

Plaintiff further shows that on or about the day of 1896, defendant by misrepresentations, misleading and calculated to and which did deceive plaintiff, induced plaintiff to waive her legal right as administratrix of the estate of her deceased husband, H.A. Lewis, and to consent to the appointment of said defendant as administrator of said estate, as follows: The said defendant through his attorney, Morris & Crow, wrote a letter to plaintiff while she was temporarily residing in the town of Greenville, in Hunt county, Texas, requesting her to consent to said waiver, a copy of which said letter is hereto attached, marked Exhibit A, and made a part of this petition.

Plaintiff further represents that the object and purpose of said letter was to induce plaintiff to waive her legal right

to administer said estate, for the purpose of the fraudulent allow-  
ance of a claim against said estate which would not have been  
permitted had your petitioner been administratrix, viz: Two notes  
each in the sum of Twelve Hundred and Fifty Dollars, purporting to  
have been executed by your petitioner and your ad-  
ministratrix, H.A. Lewis, payable to the American Investment Co., which fact was  
well known to said defendant, Diamond, or might have been known to  
him by the exercise of reasonable diligence; that said notes  
were not a lien upon the property hereinafter described, as was  
well known to said defendant, administrator as aforesaid.

That on or about the                      day of                      18  
said defendant Diamond administrator, procured an order of court  
to sell in satisfaction of said notes, the following described  
property, well knowing that the title to said property was in this  
plaintiff and not in said intestate, H.A. Lewis, viz: One lot of  
land on the North side of Ross avenue in the city of Dallas, Dallas  
county, Texas, fronting 96 1-4 feet on Ross avenue by 220 1-2 feet  
in depth, and being the same lot conveyed by A.J. Rosenfield and  
wife to Cassie Lewis by deed dated March 26, 1890, and recorded in  
Vol. 131, records of deeds, etc., of Dallas county, Texas; said lot  
being the East half of an acre tract sold to W.S. Wood by Jeffer-  
son Pusk, which deed is recorded in Book 30, page 545, of the re-  
cords of deeds of Dallas county, Texas: Beginning at a stake in the  
center of Ross avenue 96 1-4 feet N.45 E. of the East line of a  
ten-acre tract sold by J.H. Cole to Wm Adams; Thence N.45 E. 96 1-4  
feet; Thence N.45 W. 220 1-2 feet; Thence S.45 W. 96 1-4 feet;  
Thence S.45 E. 220 1-2 feet, to the place of beginning.

That said order and sale of said property is a cloud  
upon the title of your petitioner, as said property was her separate

property; that said property was sold without the knowledge or consent of your petitioner, and without the knowledge and consent of her three children, viz: M. E. Rich, Lucile Lewis

and T.C. Lewis, Jr. That the entire proceedings in the court, the securing of the letters of administration by said W.H. Diamond, and the foreclosing on his property in every way connected with said administration was utterly unknown to her and her children, who never were informed by said W.H. Diamond a word prior to the filing of the aforesaid administration, as well as would be

cured by fraudulent representations, as hereinbefore stated.

Your petitioner further states, as she is informed and so charges the fact to be, that the pretended owner and holder of said notes is not the bona fide owner thereof, and that the said American Investment Co. is a foreign corporation under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Iowa, and was doing business in the state of Texas without having first obtained a permit to do business in said state of Texas, according to the statute in such cases made and provided, and had no authority to sue in the courts

of the state of Texas on said notes; and that the pretended assignee of said notes, for which plaintiff's property was sold, came

into their possession without any consideration whatever, and said

administrator has seen fit to allow fraudulently this claim, knowing the same to be possessed by him without consideration and knowing the same to be a fraud.

Plaintiff further shows that there was a collusion and conspiracy between said administrator, defendant herein, and said W.H. Male, the pretended owner of said notes, to procure letters of administration for said Diamond, defendant, and to foreclose on plaintiff's separate property to satisfy a fictitious and fraudulent claim against said estate of said H.A. Lewis, deceased.

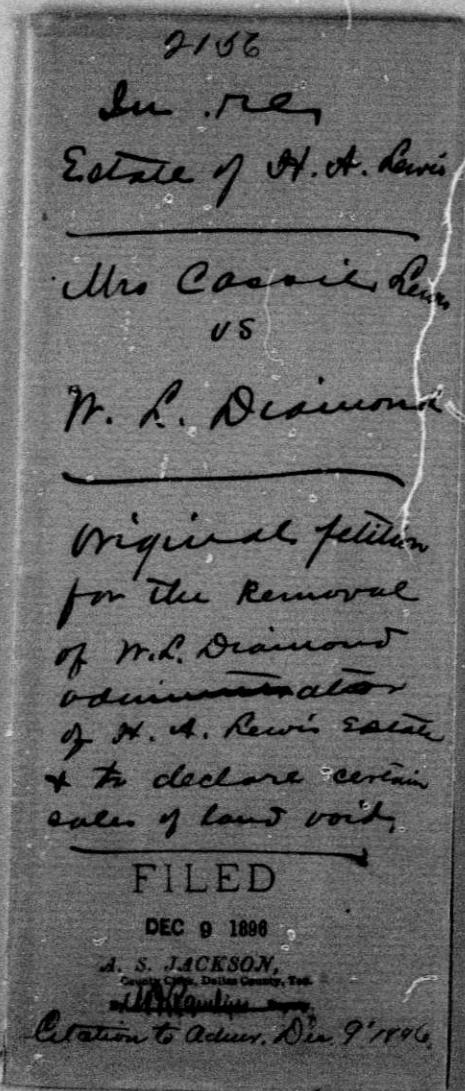
Premises considered, plaintiff prays that defendant be cited to answer this petition, that the order granting to him letters of administration be set aside and declared null and void, that said Diamond be removed as administrator of said estate, and that the deed executed by him to said W.H. Male be cancelled as a

WY 26 years for payment of same  
and interest thereon, and for costs and expenses  
incurred in the suit.

cloud upon the title of your petitioner to said property, and  
for such other and further relief as she may be entitled to  
receive either in law or equity.

*J.C. Patten*

Attorneys for Plaintiff.



Dallas, Tex. Jan 25 1898

M W Diamond  
Adm't H K Lewis

IN ACCOUNT WITH

# The Dallas Democrat,

N. T. BLACKWELL, Editor and Proprietor.

Job Office in Connection.  
135 Main Street, Opposite Court House.

Publication of attached  
Notice purchased  
on 7, 14, 21 Dec 1898

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STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF DALLAS

Know all men by these presents, that whereas I am  
the surviving wife of H. A. Lewis who died intestate on 1<sup>st</sup> day of January  
<sup>in Dallas County, Texas</sup> 1895, and am legally entitled to appointment as administratrix of the estate  
of my said deceased husband and whereas I desire to renounce and relin-  
quish said right to act as administratrix in favor of W. L. Diamond of  
Dallas, Texas, who is legally qualified to act as administrator of said  
estate. Now, therefore I Cassie Lewis do hereby waive my right to appoin-  
tment as such administratrix, and authorize and appoint said W. L. Diamond  
to act in my stead in the administration of said estate and authorize and  
recommend that he be duly appointed as such administrator by the Honorable  
Court of Dallas County, Texas.

Witness my hand this 25<sup>th</sup> day of ~~January~~ 1896.

Mrs. Cassie Lewis

Signed & delivered in  
presence of

F. M. Newton  
Lawhany

No. 184—NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

Dorsey Printing Co., Printers and Binders, Dallas, Texas.—14000

## THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Estate of

*H. A. Lewis*

Deceased.

*W. L. Diamond,*

has filed in the County Court of Dallas County,

State aforesaid, an application for letters of Administration upon the estate of said decedent

*H. A. Lewis,*

which application will be heard and acted upon by said Court, at the next term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the City of Dallas, County of Dallas and State of Texas and commencing on the first Monday in *May* 1896, at which time and place all persons interested in said Estate shall appear and contest said Application should they desire to do so.

WITNESS: L. H. HUGHES, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in the  
City of Dallas, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1896.

L. H. HUGHES,

County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas.

By

Deputy.

RECORDED IN DALLAS CITY CLERK'S OFFICE APRIL 6, 1896.

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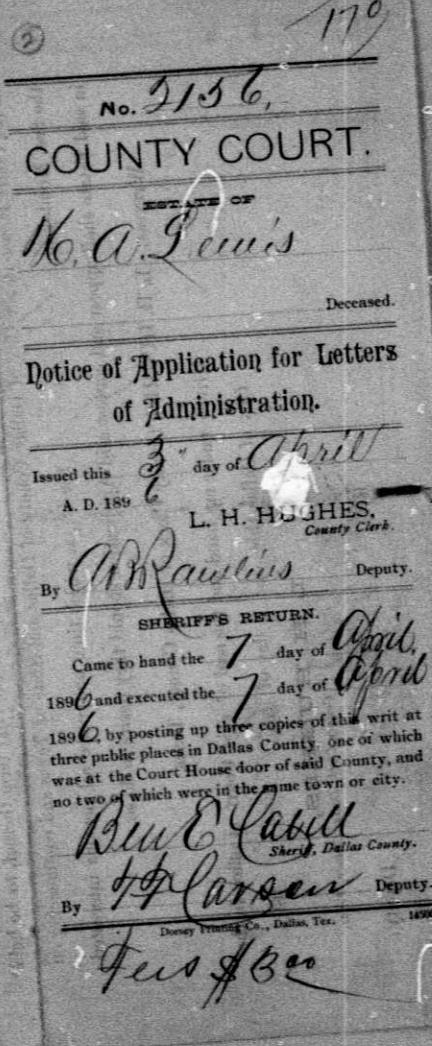
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## INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT

Of the property, real and personal, belonging to the estate of

H. A. Lewis deceased

One lot of land on the North side of Ross Avenue  
in the City and County of Dallas Texas, fronting  
96 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet on Ross Av by 220 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet in depth, and  
being the same lot conveyed by A. J. Rosenfield wife  
to Cassey Lewis by deed dated March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1890 and recorded  
in Vol 12 C page 131 record of Deeds of Dallas  
County Texas.

That the above described  
property is reasonable worth two thousand  
hundred dollars.

Is was the Community property of H. A. Lewis  
and his Wife Cassey Lewis.

The State of Texas,

County of Dallas.

I, W. L. Diamond, administrator  
of the above named Estate, do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a true, full and  
complete Inventory of all the property, real and personal, belonging to said Estate,  
that has come to my knowledge.

*W. L. Diamond*

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, this the 7 day of July A. D. 1896

*W. M. Larson* Clerk Co. Court,

By Notary Public Deputy  
Dallas County Texas

The State of Texas,

County of Dallas.

Before the undersigned authority, this day per-  
sonally appeared E. S. Lewis & S. O. Miller  
Appraisers of the above named Estate, heretofore appointed by the Court, and each  
being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing is a just and true apprai-  
sement of the property pointed out to them as belonging to said Estate.

*E. S. Lewis*  
*S. O. Miller*

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, this 7 day of July A. D. 1896

*W. M. Larson* Clerk Co. Court,

By Notary Public Deputy  
Dallas County Texas

No. 2106  
COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

H A Lewis deceased

INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT

Filed 15 day of July  
A. D. 1896

J H Collier  
COURT CLERK  
By A B Penalties Deputy.

Examined and approved this 16<sup>th</sup>  
day of Sept 1896

M W J Rash  
COURT JUDGE

A. D. ALLEN & CO Stationers and Printers 156

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ADMINISTRATOR'S BOND

The State of Texas,

COUNTY OF DALLAS.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, H. A. Lewis,  
as Principal, and Jno W. Roach and M. L. Diamond  
as Sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the County Judge of said County of Dallas, and  
his successors in office, in the sum of Monty-five hundred Dollars;  
conditioned that the above bound M. L. Diamond, who has  
been appointed Administrator of the Estate of H. A. Lewis,  
shall well and truly perform all the duties required of him under said appointment.

WITNESS our hands and seals, this 25 day of May 1896

M. L. Diamond (SEAL)  
Jno W. Roach (SEAL)

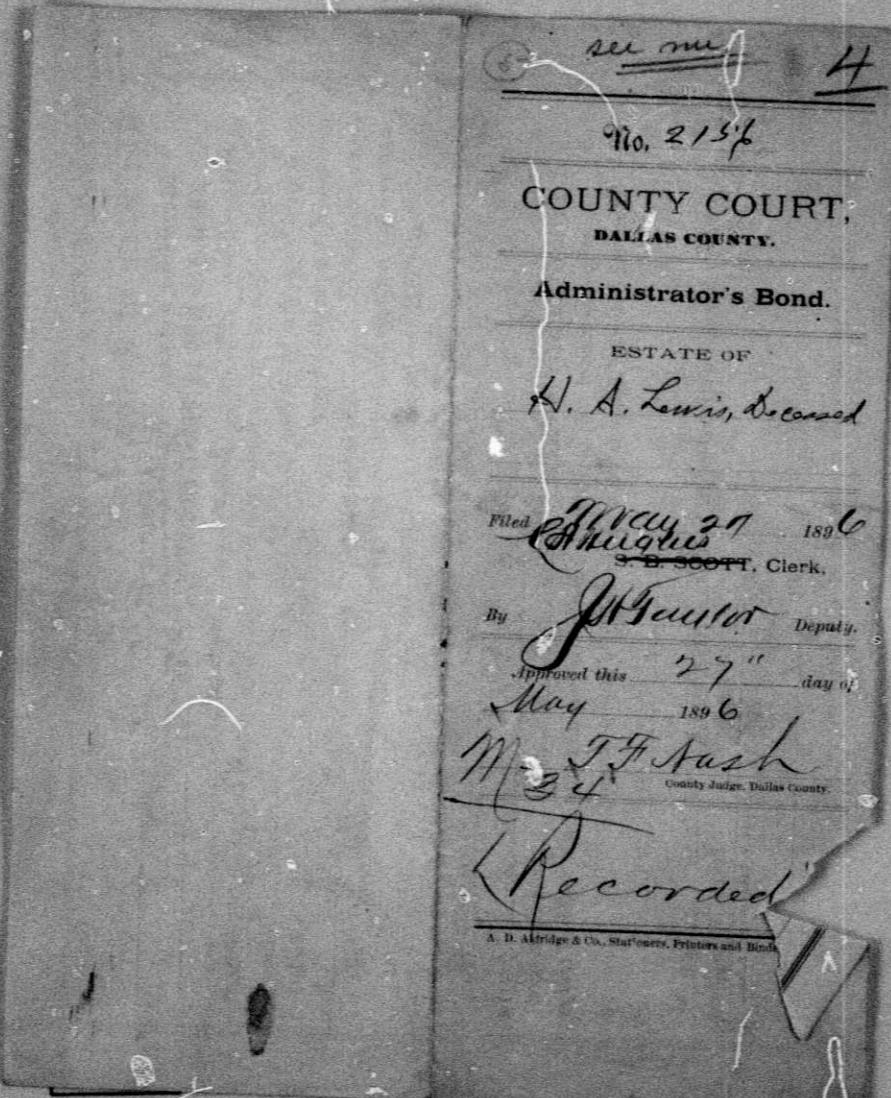
M. L. Diamond (SEAL)  
H. A. Lewis deceased, died

I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR that without leaving any lawful will, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly  
perform all the duties of Administrator of the Estate of said deceased.

Searched and subscribed before me this 26 day of May 1896  
M. L. Diamond Notary Public  
County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas.

By \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy.



THE STATE OF TEXAS / In the estate of  
COUNTY OF DALLAS / H. A. Lewis, deceased.

TO THE HON. COUNTY COURT, IN AND FOR SAID COUNTY:

Your petitioner W. L. Diamond, shows to the Court that he resides in Dallas County, Tex. That on the 11th day of January 1895, H. A. Lewis, who at and before his death had his domicile in said County, died in said county intestate.

That at the time of his death said H. A. Lewis was seized and possessed of real estate of the value of \$3750.00 on which there is an encumbrance of \$2500.00, leaving a net value or equity of \$1250.00 belonging to said estate.

That a necessity exists for an administration on the estate of said H. A. Lewis, who at the time of his death was indebted to in the sum of Twenty Five Hundred Dollars upon his two certain promissory notes for the sum of \$1250.00 each, dated on the 26th day of March 1890 and payable to the order of the American Investment Co. on the 26th day of March 1893 and the 26th day of March 1895.

That Cassie Lewis, the surviving wife of said H. A. Lewis deceased has waived her right to appointment as administratrix of said estate in favor of your petitioner and by power of attorney duly executed has authorized your petitioner to act as administrator of said estate in her stead and recommends his appointment as such administrator by this Honorable Court

That your petitioner is not disqualified by law to act as administrator herein.

Wherefore petitioner prays that citation be issued to all persons interested in said estate as required by law; that letters of administration be issued to your petitioner and that such other of further orders be made as to the Court may seem proper.

Morris & Clegg  
attorneys for  
W. L. Diamond



In Re Estate of H. A. Lewis } In the County Court  
No. 3057. Deceased } of Dallas County Texas

I do solemnly swear that I will well and truly perform  
the duties of temporary administratrix of the estate of H.A. Lewis,  
deceased, in accordance with law, and with the order of the court  
appointing me such administratrix.

Mrs. Cassie Lewis

Swear to and subscribed before me  
this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 1895-

Geo W. Brown  
Notary Public  
Dallas County Tex

The State of Texas,

County of Dallas.

Know all men by these presents: That we,

Cassie Lewis, as principal, and

and

as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto  
the County Judge of the county of Dallas, and his successors in office,  
five, in the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars, conditioned that  
the above bound Cassie Lewis, who has been appointed by the county  
court of Dallas county administratrix of the estate of H.A. Lewis,  
deceased, shall well and truly perform all the duties required of  
her under said appointment.

Given under our hands this the  
18<sup>th</sup> day of July 1895-

Mrs. Cassie Lewis  
H. J. Rice  
J. A. Sokaoff

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No. 2057

Estate of H. A. Lewis  
Deceased

Mr. Cassie Lewis, Trustee

Trustee's Bond

Approved July  
19<sup>th</sup> 1895

16 J. F. Nash  
572 Co. Judge

Filed July 19<sup>th</sup> 1895,  
L. H. Loughlin, C. C.  
By Asst. Jackson, Dept.  
(Recorded)

GEO. H. PLOWMAN,  
Attorney-at-Law,  
DALLAS. TEXAS.

The State of Texas, | In the Matter of the Estate of H.A. Lewis,  
County of Dallas. | Deceased.

To the Honorable County Court of Said County, Sitting as a Court of  
Probate:---

Your petitioner, Cassie Lewis, shows to the court  
that she resides in Farmers' Branch, Dallas County, Texas; that on  
the 11th day of January, 1895, H.A. Lewis, the husband of your pe-  
titioner, who, at and before his death, had his domicile in the  
county of Dallas aforesaid, died in said county intestate, leaving  
surviving him your petitioner and two daughters, viz: Mary E. Lewis,  
aged 21 years, Lucile Lewis, aged 19 years, and one son, viz:  
Theodore C. Lewis, aged 13 years.

That at the time of the death of the said H.A. Lewis, he  
was seized and possessed of real and personal property of the prob-  
able value of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars, situated in Dallas  
county, Texas; that said estate consisted of the family homestead,  
of the probable value of \$450, and a small stock of drugs of the  
probable value of \$300, and that said estate is insolvent.

That on to-wit: the 12th day of July, 1895, in cause no.  
styled Texas Drug Co. vs M.E. Lewis, pending in this honora-  
ble court a writ of attachment was sued out at the instance of  
the said Texas Drug Co. and afterwards on to-wit: the day  
of July, 1895, levied by the sheriff of said county on said stock of  
drugs by taking the same into his possession.

That at the time and before the levy of said writ of  
attachment the said M.E. Lewis had no interest, title or right what-  
ever in and to said stock of drugs; that said stock of drugs was  
the property of said H.A. Lewis at the time of his death, and now  
belongs to the estate of said H.A. Lewis.

That said goods is the only fund to which your petition-

er can look for the support and maintenance of herself and minor children, and will probably be lost, destroyed or wasted unless temporary letters of administration are granted your petitioner; that your petitioner is not disqualified by law to act as administratrix of said estate.

Therefore your petitioner says that there is a necessity for an administration upon the estate of the said H.A. Lewis, and here prays the court to grant her temporary letters of administration of said estate, and as in duty your petitioner will ever pray.

*Frances*  
Atty for Mrs. Cassie Lewis  
Petitioner.

Mrs. Cassie Lewis is this day appointed temporary administrator of the estate of H.A. Lewis, deceased, and authorizes a director to take charge safely keep & preserve all property, real and personal, of said estate which has heretofore or may hereafter come into her possession as such administrator & is further authorized to bring all suits necessary to regain or preserve possession of all property belonging to said estate. Said appointment to take effect upon the said Mrs. Cassie Lewis taking the oath & giving the bond in the time & manner required by law, in the sum of \$250.

*J.G. Wash*  
Co-Judge

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In the Matter of the Estate  
of H. A. Lewis, deceased.

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Application for Letters of Ad-  
ministration.

Filed July 19th 1895  
L. H. Keay his C.R.  
By Assignment  
Dy

GEO. H. PLOWMAN,  
Attorney-at-Law,  
223 Main Street, DALLAS, TEXAS.



## Railroad Coupon Bond

On the Twenty-sixth day of March Eighteen hundred and Ninety-three  
For value received I promise to pay American Investment Company  
or order Twelve Hundred and Fifty

March 26 1893

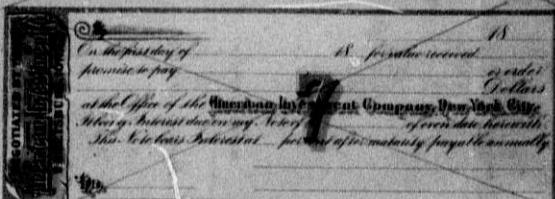
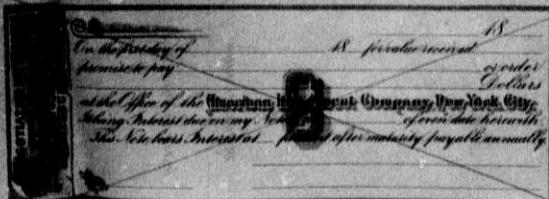
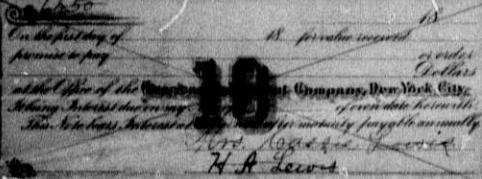
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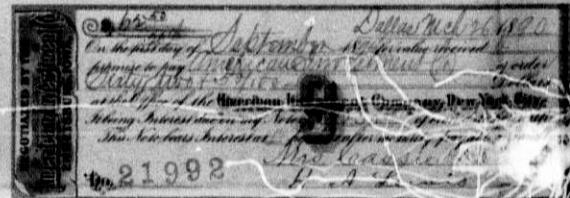
In Gold or equivalent in value with interest thereon at the rate of  $\frac{1}{2}$  per centum per annum  
payable semi-annually according to the tenor of six interest coupons hereto attached both  
Principal and Interest payable at the Office of the American Investment Company, New York City.

If any part of the Principal or Interest is not paid at maturity, it shall bear interest at the rate of  $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent per  
annum, payable annually, and if any Interest remains unpaid twenty days after due, the Principal shall become due  
and collectible at once without notice at the option of the holder.

Both Principal and Interest secured by a Mortgage on Real Estate in  
Dallas County Texas valued at \$1500  
Albert A Lewis

Mrs Jessie Lewis  
H A Lewis





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NUMBER  
21993\$ 1250<sup>00</sup>

*Carrie Lewis and  
Esther H. C. Lewis*  
TO  
American Investment  
of Emlletsburg Area  
Date March 26 1890  
Due March 26 1893

INTEREST PAYABLE

*March 26 1890*

Mr. John K. Remond, I do hereby assign and transfer the within Bond  
together with all our interest in and all our rights under the mortgage  
without reserve  
*John K. Remond*

American Investment Co.  
By *W. H. Smith*  
Secretary.

Pay to the Order of Pay to the Order of

without recourse without recourse

Pay to the Order of Pay to the Order of

without recourse without recourse

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NUMBER  
21992

S 12500

FIRST MORTGAGE  
Bond



Cassie Lewis and  
husband Ed A Lewis  
TO  
American Investment  
Company  
of Emmitsburg, Penna.  
Date March 26 1891  
Due March 26 1895

INTEREST PAYABLE

March and September

NEGOTIATED BY  
THE AMERICAN  
INVESTMENT COMPANY  
OF  
EMMITSBURG, PENNA.  
EASTERN OFFICE  
150 NASSAU STREET  
NEW YORK CITY.

Mr. Value Received, we hereby assign and transfer the within Bond  
together with all our interests in and all our rights under the mortgage  
without recourse  
securing the same, to

Pay to the Order of

without recourse

American Investment Company  
By W. H. Clegg Secretary

Pay to the Order of

without recourse

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without recourse

American Investment Company  
By W. H. Clegg Secretary

TEXAS.

STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF DALLAS.

Before me, C. L. Evans, Jr., a Notary Public in and for Dallas County, Texas, personally appeared Thomas Shearon, who on oath deposes and says he is the agent and attorney for W.H. Male and that the foregoing ~~memorandum~~ <sup>notes</sup> against the Estate of N.A. Lewis, deceased, as above set out, <sup>are</sup> a true and just claim against said estate on the date of August 31st, 1896, and that all legal off-sets, payments and credits known to affiant have been allowed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this first day of September, 1896.

*Thomas Shearon*  
C. L. Evans, Jr.  
Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas.

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The within claim  
examined and  
approved and allowed  
as a claim for the  
amount of the  
within notes together  
with interest unpaid  
and due thereon  
according to the  
tenor thereof  
This September 5<sup>th</sup> 1896

M. A. Diamond  
Administrator  
of the estate  
of H. A. Lewis  
Deceased

FILED

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C. H. Daniels

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The within claim examined and approved  
and allowed as a claim of the third class  
against the Estate of H. A. Lewis deceased  
M. A. Diamond Administrator for the sum of  
amount thereof, or as a claim of the third class  
due for the amount of the proceeds of  
within described land and as a claim of  
the fourth class as to any deficiency  
the fourth class as to the proceeds of said  
land after applying the proceeds from  
said claim of administration  
W. J. Stach

Sept 19 1896  
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J. F. Stach  
Cognosse