

fully interrogated in relation thereto?

I do not

Subscribed and sworn
to before me this 16th day of
February A D 1862

Edw. W. Pomeroy

Lorenzo Wood
Master in Chancery

Now all Men by these presents that I
Nathan Hill of the Town of Amboy in the Coun-
ty of Lee and State of Illinois farmer Considering
the uncertainty of this life and being of sound
mind and memory blessed be almighty God
for the same do make declare and publish this
my last will and Testament

First I give and bequeath to the University
of Chicago One Thousand Dollars \$1,000 to establi-
sh a scholarship for the education of indigent
pious young men having the Christian Minis-
try in view: Said One Thousand Dollars to be
paid to the Treasurer of said University or
any duly authorized agent within one year

after my decease unless I shall pay the above mentioned sum to said University during my life time in which case this bequest is to be null and void

Second I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary the income of all of the residue of my estate real personal or mixed of which I shall die seized or possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my death to have and to hold the same for her use in lieu of dower during her natural life

Third I hereby bequeath and demise and give to the "University of Chicago" all of the residue of my estate real personal and mixed of which I shall die seized or possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease to be paid to the treasurer or any authorized agent of said University within six months after the decease of my wife together with the income which shall accrue thereon during the time after her decease and the time of payment: said University to have and to hold the same forever for the purposes for which it was established

Fourth I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Mary and my Friend Cornelius A.

Hall of Amboy the executors of this my last will
and testament and hereby authorize them to sell
my real estate and make conveyances for the
same at their discretion or shall be necessary to
execute the foregoing bequests

In testimony whereof I herunto set my hand
and seal and publish and decree this to be
my last will and testament in presence of the
witnesses named below this twenty sixth
day of April in the year of our Lord one thou-
sand and eight hundred and fifty eight, the
word "life" over the fourth line from the top of
page first and the words "together with the income"
over the third line from the top on page second
being placed there before signing
Nathan Hill

Signed sealed and declared & published by the said
Nathan Hill as and for his last will and testament
in presence of us who at his request and in his
presence and in presence of each other have sub-
scribed our names as witnesses hereto

Witnesses

Jacob Luce of Lee County Ill's
J. B. Clott of Springfield Illinois

State of Illinois }
Lee County }^{ss}

In the County Court of said
County In Probate April
A D 1862

Personally appeared in open Court Jacob Luce
and J B Olcott subscribing witnesses to the fore-
going instrument of writing purporting to be the
Last Will and Testament of Wamen Hill late of
Lee County deceased who being duly sworn
according to law do depose and say that the
foregoing is the last will and Testament of the said
Wamen Hill deceased; That they subscribed their
names thereto as the attesting witnesses at the
request of the Testator and in their presence
and in the presence of each other on the 26th
day of April A D 1858 That he then and
then subscribed his name thereto in their
presence and declared the same to be his last
Will and Testament and that the said Testator
at the time of executing the same as aforesaid
was of full age of sound mind and memory
and under no constraint

Jacob Luce
J. B. Olcott

Subscribed and sworn to
in open Court this 26th day
of April A D 1862

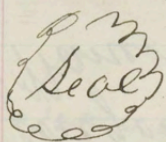
James A Hawley County Clerk

State of Illinois

Lee County

I James A Hawley Clerk of the County Court of Lee County aforesaid said Court being a Court of Record using a Seal and having original jurisdiction in all matters of Probate do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Wamen Hill late of said County and State deceased has been duly proven up by the testimony of the within named Jacob Luce and J B Cleck attesting witnesses therunto and has this day been admitted to record as the last Will and Testament of the said Wamen Hill all of which appears to me of record

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this 26th day of April A D 1862



James A Hawley
Clerk County Court

State of Illinois

Lee County

I James A Hawley Clerk of the County Court in and for the County of Lee and State of Illinois do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a full true and perfect Copy of the Original Last Will and Testament of Wamen Hill deceased and of the Probate of said Will as appears by papers on file in my office In testimony whereof I

have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said
Court at Dixon this 23rd day of February A.D. 1863



Stamp

James A. Hawley
Clerk County Court
per H. L. Bosworth, Deft

Estate of Nansen Hill deceased

State of Illinois $\frac{2}{3}$
Lee County $\frac{2}{3}$

To the Honor William H. DeWolf
County Judge of said County

The undersigned Mary Hill widow of the said
Nansen Hill deceased does hereby decline to act
in the capacity and does relinquish all right to
act in the capacity of executrix of the last Will and
Testament of her late husband and does further
relinquish all right in any way to adminis-
ter upon said estate

Witness my hand this 25th
day of April A.D. 1862

In presence of W. R. Webb

Mary Hill

State of Illinois $\frac{2}{3}$
Lee County $\frac{2}{3}$

I James A. Hawley Clerk of the County
Court in and for the County of Lee and State of
Illinois do hereby certify that the foregoing is a
full true and perfect copy of the original

"Relinquishment of Widow" of Wamen Hill deceased
as appears by papers on file in my office
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed the seal of said Court at Dixon this
23rd of February A.D. 1863

Seal

Stamp

James A. Hawley
Clerk of County Court
per H. L. Bosworth Dept

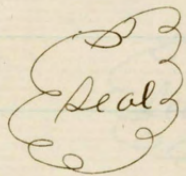
I Mary Hill widow of Wamen Hill late of
the County of Lee and State of Illinois do hereby
renounce and quit all claim to the benefit of
any jointure bequest or devise made to me by
the last Will and Testament of my said deceased
husband which has been exhibited and proved
according to Law and I do elect to take in lieu
thereof my dower or legal share of the estate of
my said husband May 7th 1862

Mary Hill

State of Illinois
Lee County

I James A. Hawley Clerk of the County
Court in and for the County of Lee and State of
Illinois do hereby certify that the foregoing is a
full true and perfect copy of the original
"Relinquishment of Widow" of Wamen Hill deceased
as appears from papers on file in my office
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the seal of said Court at my

office in Dixon this 23rd day of February A.D.
1863



Stamp

James A Hawley
Clerk County Court
per H. L. Bosworth Sept

To W. W. De Wolf County Judge

I Mary Hill
widow of Warren Hill late of the County of Lee
and State of Illinois do elect to take in lieu
of my dower in the estate of my deceased husband
of which he did seized my legal share of said
estate after the payment of all just debts and
demands against the estate of my deceased
husband

Amboy Nov 7th 1862

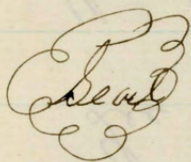
Mary Hill

State of Illinois

Lee County

I James A Hawley Clerk of the
County Court in and for the County of Lee
and State of Illinois do hereby Certify that the
foregoing is a full true and perfect copy of the
original Election of Widow of Warren Hill deceased
as appears from papers on file in my office

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the seal of said Court at
my Office in Dixon this 23rd day of
February A.D. 1863



Stamp

James A Hawley
Clerk of County Court
per H. L. Bosworth Sept

State of Illinois
Lee County

Lee County Circuit Court
February Term A.D. 1863

Mary Hill

vs

Elyah S Hill
The University of Chicago
Cornelius A. Wall Executor of
last Will of Nansen Hill deceased

Secretal Order

This cause being brought on to be heard upon the report of Lorenzo Wood a Master in Chancery of this Court and the said report having been approved by this Court and it appearing to the Court that said Nansen Hill died testate and seized of the real estate as described and set forth in the petition of Mary Hill in this cause on March 24th A.D. 1862 and that said Nansen Hill left a widow Mary Hill and no child or children and no dependance of such child or children that the will of the said Nansen Hill was duly filed admitted to record and approved on the 26th day of April A.D. 1862 in the County Court in and for said Lee County; That at the April Term A.D. 1862 of said County Court the said Mary Hill one of the executors named in the will (with one Cornelius A. Wall) of the said Nansen Hill deceased declined to act and that she relinquished her right

to act in the capacity of said executor. And that
 said Mary Hill on the 7th day of May A.D. 1862 renou-
 nced and quitted all claim to the benefit of any
 jointure bequest or devise made to her by the said
 last Will and Testament of Wamen Hill deceased and
 that on said seventh day of May A.D. 1862 said
 Mary Hill widow of said Wamen Hill made her
 own election under the Laws of this State to take
 in lieu of her dower in the estate of said Wamen
 Hill deceased her legal share of said estate after
 the payment of all just claims and debts against
 the estate of the said Wamen Hill deceased And
 it further appearing to the Court that the said Cor-
 nelius A. Hall named with said Mary Hill as
 executor in said last will and Testament of Wamen
 Hill deceased took the oath of office and
 entered upon his duties as such executor on the
 26th day of April A.D. 1862 And that said Cornelius
 A. Hall is now in the discharge of his duties as
 such executor And that the debts and liabilities
 now remaining unpaid of the said Wamen Hill
 deceased are of small amount and few in number
 And it further appearing that there is now in
 the hands of the said executor Cornelius A. Hall
 an amount of personal property belonging to the
 estate of the said Wamen Hill deceased which is
 of great value and more than sufficient to
 pay all the debts and claims against the

Estate of the said Wamen Hill deceased and it appearing that default hath been taken in this Cause as to the said University of Chicago and that said defendants Elijah S. Hill and Cornelius A. Wall executor of the last will and Testament of Wamen Hill deceased have by their several answers filed in this Cause admitted the facts set forth in the petition of the said Mary Hill to be true

It is therefore ordered adjudged and decreed & this Court by virtue of the power and authority therein vested doth order adjudge and decree hereby that partition be made of the lands and premises in the petition in this Cause described which premises are described as follows to wit: An undivided one half part of the North West quarter of the North East quarter of Section Number twenty two in Township No. Twenty of range Number ten (North) and East of the fourth P. M. Meridian in the County of Lee and State of Illinois also the following described property described on the Map of Section fifteen township number twenty North of ~~fourth~~ Range No Ten east of the 4th P. M. of Lee County Illinois made by the trustees of Schools within and for said township as lots No two and three (2+3) being the West half of the North East quarter and the East half of the North West quarter of Section fifteen (16) Township

Number Twenty North of Range ten East of the 4th P.M.
situate in said Lee County the first of said tracts
containing about forty acres of land and the last
tract containing about one hundred and fifty
seven and $\frac{5}{100}$ acres excepting from said land
so described the following lots parcels or pieces to wit
a tract of land deeded by Wamen Hill and Mary Hill
to Nathan Woolsey on March 25th A.D. 1858 in the life-
time of the said Wamen Hill and also see other except-
ions described as the same are described (or exceptions)
in the petition filed in this cause and as described
in the Master's report of this cause and that part
of the said premises
tion be made in the manner following to wit that
there be allotted to Elijah S. Hill and to the estate of
the said Wamen Hill deceased to each a one half por-
tion of the North West quarter of the North East quarter
(N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Number thirty two in Township No.
Twenty in Range Number ten East of the 4th P.M.
in said Lee County to be set apart to each by
metes and bounds and that when the same shall
have been so allotted and set apart that there be
allotted and set apart to Mary Hill and to the Uni-
versity of Chicago and to each of them in severalty
by metes and bounds a one half divided part of
that portion of the North West quarter of the North
East quarter of section thirty two town twenty
Range ten East of the 4th P.M. which shall be so
set apart as aforesaid to the estate of the said Wamen

Hill and also that there be allotted and set apart to the said Mary Hill and the University of Chicago and to each of them in severally by metes & bounds a divided one half part of the land described as follows on the Map of Section Sixteen Township Number Twenty North of range ten east of the fourth P.M. of Lee County Illinois made by the trustees of School lands within and for said township as lots No Two and Three (2 & 3) being the West half of the North East quarter and the East half of the North West quarter of Section Sixteen township number twenty North of Range ten East of the fourth P.M. in Lee County Illinois with the exception of the pieces or parcels of land named in the petition in said Cause and in the Masters Report in said Cause as exceptions the quantity and the quality of all of said lands to be relatively considered said lands so allotted to said Mary Hill and the University of Chicago to be held in severally by them and each of them forever

And it is further ordered that George E. Koskell Martin Wright and Henry Bauele of the County of Lee and State of Illinois be and they are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose of making such partition and that said Commissioners before proceeding to the execution of their duties shall take an oath before this Court or some Justice of the Peace fairly and impartially to

to make partition of said lands in accordance with the judgment of this Court as to the rights and interests of the said parties and that they make a report of the same which shall be made under their hands and seals to this Court; And the said Commissioners shall designate the parts or portions so allotted to each of the said parties and the boundaries thereof by sufficient descriptions and monuments And it is further ordered and adjudged and decreed that in case partition cannot be made of said premises with perfect equality between the said parties and without manifest prejudice to the proprietors of the same the Commissioners so appointed to partition the same shall so report the same to and await the action and order of this Court

And it is further ordered that a commission issue out of and under the seal of this Court directed to the said George E. Hoskell Martin Wright and Harvey Bawell authorizing and directing them to make partition of the said premises in the manner above directed

W. H. Keaton
Judge

Dixon Lee County Feb 24th 1863

State of Illinois }
County of Lee } ss

Lee County Circuit Court
February Term AD 1863

Mary Hill

vs

The University of Chicago
Elijah S Hill and
Cornelius A Hall executor
of Wm H Hill deceased

Whereas at the said term of the
said Circuit Court at Dixon on the day of
February AD 1863 a certain decretal order was made
by the said Court in a certain cause depending
in said Court wherein Mary Hill was complain-
ant and the University of Chicago Elijah S Hill
and Cornelius A Hall executor of the last will and
testament of Wm H Hill deceased were defendants
by which among other things it was ordered that
a partition of the premises mentioned and described
in the petition in this cause should be made
between the said petitioner and the said University
of Chicago and Elijah S Hill in manner following
to wit that there be allotted to Elijah S Hill and
to the Estate of the said Wm H Hill deceased
to each a one half portion of the North West quar-
ter of the North East quarter of Section Number
twenty two in Township Number Twenty of Range
No. ten (10) East of the fourth P.M. in said Lee

County to be set apart to each by metes & Bounds
and that when the same shall have been so
allotted and set apart to Mary Hill and to the
University of Chicago and to each of them in severally
by metes and bounds a one half divided part of
that portion of the North West quarter of the North
East quarter of said section thirty two township
range ten East of the fourth P.M. which shall be so
set apart as aforesaid to the estate of the said Hannah
Hill. and also that there be allotted and set apart to
the said Mary Hill and the University of Chicago
and to each of them in severally by metes and
bounds a divided one half part of the land described
as follows on the Map of Section Sixteen Township
No. Twenty North of Range Ten East of the fourth P.M.
of Lee County Illinois made by the trustees of Sch-
ools lands within and for said township or lots
number two and three (2 & 3) being the West half
of the North East quarter and the East half of the
North West quarter of section sixteen township No.
Twenty North of Range Ten East of the fourth P.M. in
Lee County Illinois with the exceptions of the pieces
and parcels of land named in the petition in this
cause and in the Master's report in this cause as
exceptions the quantity and the quality of all the
said land to be relatively considered said land allotted
to said Mary Hill and the University of Chicago
to be held in severally by them and each of them forever

And whereas by the said decretal order it was further ordered that in case the said partition could not be made with perfect equity between the parties and according to their rights and interests in the said premises and without manifest prejudice to the proprietors of the same that then and in that case the commissioners so appointed to partition the same should so report to and await the further order of this Court And whereas it was in and by the said decretal order further ordered that a commission issue out of and under the seal of this Court to you to be directed authorizing and directing you to act in the premises for the purpose of carrying the said decretal order into effect Now therefore Know Ye that confiding in your prudence and discretion we have assigned and appointed you the said George E Lorkell Martin Wright and Harvey Banel commissioners for the purposes herein mentioned and do give you full power and authority to make partition of the premises above mentioned and herein after set forth and described between the said May Hill University of Chicago and Elijah S Hill according to their respective rights and interests therein as the same have been ascertained declared determined and assigned in and by the decretal order aforesaid and that you the said commissioners make a report under your hands to our said Court of your proceedings under and by

virtue hereof without unnecessary delay. And we
 do by these presents further authorize direct & require
 you that in case the same cannot be made equal
 between the said parties and without prejudice to the
 proprietors of the same that you report the same to and
 await the further action of this Court and the better to
 enable you to make the partition and perform the du-
 ties above directed. you are hereby authorized and emp-
 owered to enter into and ~~make~~ upon and view
 the premises and any and every part thereof to-
 gether with such assistants as you may deem neces-
 sary which said premises to be partitioned by you as
 aforesaid are described as follows. The North West
 quarter of the North East quarter of Section number
 twenty two in Township number twenty of range
 number ten East of the fourth principal Meridian
 in the district of lands subject to sale at Dixon
 in Lee County and State of Illinois Also the property
 described as follows on the Map of Section sixteen
 Township number twenty North of Range number
 ten East of the 4th P.M. of Lee County Illinois made by
 the trustees of School lands within and for said
 township or lots number two and three (2 & 3) being
 the west half of the North East quarter and the East
 half of the North West quarter of Section fifteen town-
 ship number twenty North of range ten East of the
 4th P.M. situate in said Lee County The first of
 said tracts containing about forty acres of land

and the lost tract in section sixteen containing about one hundred and fifty seven and $\frac{98}{100}$ acres excepting from said land so described the following lots parcels or pieces to wit a tract of land deeded by Wamen Hill and Mary Hill to Nathaniel Woolsey on March 25th 1858 in the lifetime of the said Wamen Hill and described as follows a part of the West half of the North East quarter of section sixteen township twenty Range Ten East of the fourth principal Meridian being a part of lot Two (2) of said section sixteen as plotted for school purposes and recorded in the Records office in said County of Lee commencing at the South East Corner of said lot Two running thence north on the east line of said lot Two four chains and twenty links thence west on a line parallel with the south line of said lot Two (2) one chain and nineteen links (1.19) thence south on a line parallel with the east line of said lot number Two (2) sixteen rods and twenty links (16.20) thence east to the place of beginning containing one half of an acre of land be the same more or less Excepting also a tract of land deeded by Wamen Hill and Mary Hill to the Illinois Central railroad company on the 17th day of July A.D. 1852 and described as follows to wit the right of way on and through the North West quarter of the North East quarter of section sixteen Township number twenty range number ten East of the 4th P.M. being about four acres thereby

conveyed as such right of way over and through
the lands and premises above described to include
and comprise land of the width of fifty feet on
each side of said Rail Road measuring from the
center of its track as the same has been surveyed loca-
ted and established by said company reference being
had to a map of said land and Rail Road on file
in the Records Office in and for said Lee county
excepting also the right of way of the Illinois Central
Rail Road company over and through the South
West quarter of the ^{North} East quarter of the North West
quarter of Section Sixteen town number twenty
range number Ten East of the 4th P.M. said right
of way over and through the lands and premises
above described to include and comprise land
of the width of fifty feet on each side of said Rail
Road measuring from the center of its track as
the same has been located surveyed and established
by said company reference being had to a map
recorded in the Records Office in and for said
Lee county excepting also a certain tract of land
deeded by Warren Hill and Mary Hill to Elijah
S Hill and described as follows to wit commencing
at the North East corner of Lot number Two (2)
of Section Sixteen township number twenty Range
number Ten East of the fourth P.M. thence west
to the North West corner of Lot number Two (2)
thence south East along the line of the Illinois

Central Rail Road to the East line of said lot
thence back to the place of beginning said last men-
tioned tract having been conveyed February
21st A.D. 1856 Excepting also from the first herein
before mentioned tract of land deeded by the said
Nansen Hill to James Ardross on the first day of
September A.D. 1853 And in the life time of the said
Nansen Hill and described as follows to wit
The North half of the West half of the East half
of the North west quarter of section fifteen Township
twenty Range ten East of the fourth P.M. contain-
ing twenty acres of land more or less Excepting also
from the two first hereinafter mentioned tracts of
land a tract described as the West half of the south
East quarter of the North West quarter of section
fifteen Township twenty Range Ten East
Witness Benjamin F. Shaw Clerk of our said Court
and the Seal thereof at Dixon this seventh day
of March A.D. 1863
Benjamin F. Shaw
Clerk per Joseph Ball D.C.

Seal

State of Illinois }
Lee County } 2nd I George E. Hoskell one of the Commissioners
within named do solemnly swear that I will fairly &
impartially make partition of said lands within named
in accordance with the judgment of the court as to
the rights and interests of the parties if the same can be
done consistently with the interest of the Estate of Nansen

Hill deceased

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 14th day of March A.D. 1863
William B. Andrews J.P.

George E. Hoswell

I Martin Wright one of the commissioners within named
do solemnly swear that I will fairly and impartially make
partition of said lands within named in accordance with
the judgment of the Court as to the rights and interests
of the parties if the same can be done consistently with
the interests of the Estate of Nanen Hill deceased

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 14th day of March A.D. 1863
William B. Andrews J.P.

Martin Wright

I Harvey Banell one of the commissioners within named
do solemnly swear that I will fairly and impartially make
partition of said lands within named
in accordance with the judgment of the Court as
to the rights and interests of the parties if the same can
be done consistently with the interests of the Estate
of Nanen Hill deceased

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 14th day of March A.D. 1863
William B. Andrews J.P.

State of Illinois
County of Lee

Lee County Circuit Court
June Term A.D. 1863

Mary Hill
vs

The University of Chicago
Elijah S. Hill and
Cornelius A. Walbecker
of the last will and Testament
of Mary Hill deceased

In partition

Report of Commissioners

To the Hon. William H. Keaton

Judge of the twenty second Judicial Circuit in and for
the County of Lee and State of Illinois

In pursuance of
and in obedience to a commission in the above
entitled cause issued out of and under the seal
of this Honorable Court and directed to the undersigned
and tested by the clerk and seal of said Court
on the seventh day of March A.D. 1863 which said Com-
mission is hereto annexed we the undersigned George
& Haskell Martin Wright and Harvey Banell Commis-
sioners for the purposes therein mentioned do respec-
tfully report and return that having been first duly
sworn and having severally taken the oath to said
commission annexed we have carefully examined
the premises described in said commission and
caused them to be surveyed in our presence and
have made partition thereof between the said parties

according to their respective rights and interests to
even as the same have been ascertained declared &
determined by the said court as we were by the said
commission commanded in manner following
We divide the whole of the said premises into five
different portions which are designated on the Map
hereto annexed by the letters - "A." "B." "C." "D." "E." And that
we have set off in severalty to the University of Chicago
all those certain portions of land designated on the
annexed Map by the letters - "A." "B." and which are
fully described as follows Ten Acres being the North West
quarter of the North West quarter of the North East quarter of
Section thirty two (32) Town Twenty (20) Range Ten
East of the fourth P.M. in said County of Lee and State
of Illinois described as follows commencing fifty one
rods twelve links west of the South West corner of the
West half of the North East quarter of Section fifteen
foresaid running west fifty six rods and three links
to a stone thence North one hundred and fifty nine
rods to a stone thence East thirty rods and twenty links
to a stone in line of right of way of the Illinois Central
Rail Road thirty two rods and twenty links to a
stone thence South one hundred and thirty six rods
to a stone at place of beginning containing fifty
three acres and fifty three rods of land. And that
we have set off in severalty to Mary Hill widow
of Warren Hill deceased all those certain parcels of the
land by us to be partitioned which are marked on

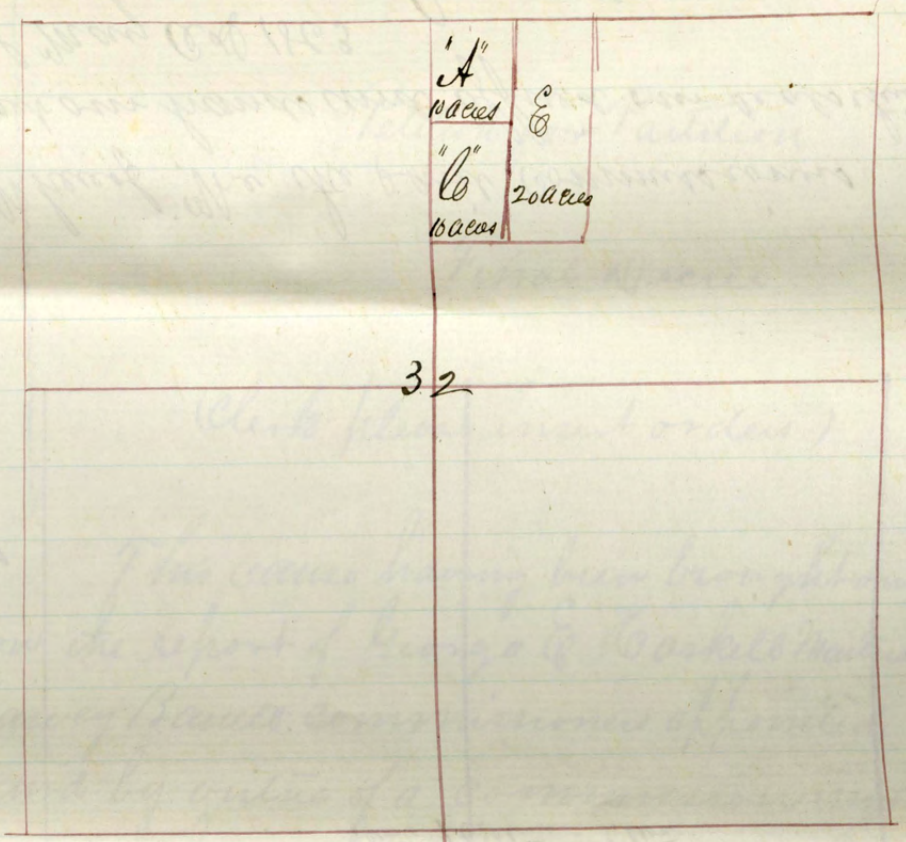
the Map hereto annexed and designated by the letters
"C-28" and which are particularly described as follows
Twenty acres being the South half of the West half of the
North West quarter of the North East quarter of Section
Twenty Two (32) Township Twenty (20) Range Ten (10)
East of the fourth P.M. also the following described
tract of land commencing four rods and nineteen
links West of the South West corner of the East
half of the North East quarter of section sixteen Tow-
nship Twenty Range Ten East fourth P.M. running
west fifty six rods and eighteen links to a stone
thence North one hundred and thirty six rods to
stone in line of right of way of Illinois Central Rail
Way thence South forty five degrees and thirty minutes
East along the right of way of Illinois Central Rail Road
Eighty seven rods and five links to a stone thence four-
ty five & eight rods and five links to a stone thence
South fifteen rods and twenty links to place of begin-
ning containing forty acres Eight rods of land both
of said last mentioned tracts being in Lee County
State of Illinois

And that we have further set off in severally to Elijah
& H. C. that portion of the premises to be by us particu-
larly described as the East half of the North West
quarter of the North East quarter of section twenty two (32)
Township twenty range ten & 4th P.M. in said Lee
County containing twenty acres such allotments and
divisions as aforesaid being the most beneficial under

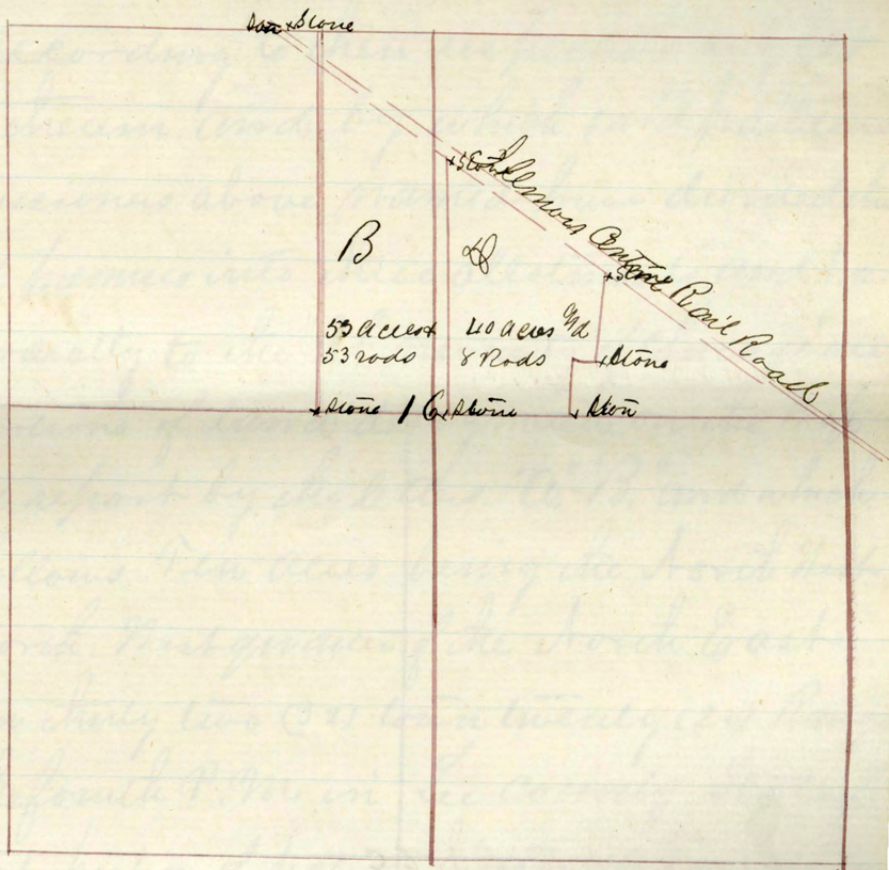
all the circumstances that could be made. And for the better understanding of the shape and situation of all of said premises and the manner of our partition of the same we have caused to be made a map thereof showing what parts of said premises have been allotted to said parties respectively which Map forms a part of this our report and is as follows

Maps of Sections Sixteen (16) and Thirty Two (32) in Township Twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East of fourth P.M. Lee County Illinois

Section 32
 Town 20
 Range 10
 E 4 P.M.
 Lee County
 Illinois



Section P 16
 Town 20
 Range 10
 E 4th PM
 Lee County
 Illinois



In Witness Whereof We the said Commissioners
 have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this
 sixteenth day of May A.D. 1863

George E. Hoskell Seal
 Martin Wright Seal
 Harvey Banell Seal

Bill of Costs

For Surveyor for 2 days Surveying @ \$3-	\$6.00
W. F. Booth " Surveyor " 1 day Making Reports & Plots	3.00
George E. Hoskell 3 days Services as Commissioner	3.00
Martin Wright 3 days Services as Commissioner	3.00
Harvey Banell 3 days Services as Commissioner	3.00
Service of Chairman and exarman George E. Hoskell & Martin Wright & Harvey Banell	6.00
	\$24.00

We hereby certify that the above is a true bill of costs
and necessary expenses in the above and underpaid
commission.

George E. Hoskell
Martin Wright
Harvey Bauele
Commissioners

State of Illinois
County of Lee }

Lee County Circuit Court
June Term A.D. 1863

Mary Hill

vs

University of Chicago
Elijah S. Hill and
Cornelius A. Wall Executors
of last will and testament
of Wm. Hill deceased

Petition for Partition

Final Decree

(Clerk please insert orders)

This cause having been brought on
to be heard upon the report of George E. Hoskell Martin
Wright and Harvey Bauele commissioners appointed
therein under and by virtue of a commission issued
out of and under the seal of this Court and on reading
and filing said report which bears date the fifteenth
day of May A.D. 1863 by which it appears that the
commissioners above named have made partition of
the premises described in the petition for partition in
this cause between the said University of Chicago

Elijah S Hill and Mary Hill widow of Wm Hill deceased according to their respective rights and interests therein and by which said partition the said commissioners above named have divided the whole of the said premises into three allotments and have set off in severalty to the "University of Chicago" all those certain portions of land designated on the Map annexed to said report by the letters "A", "B", and which are described as follows Ten acres being the North West quarter of the North West quarter of the North East quarter of section thirty two (32) town twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East of the fourth P.M. in Lee County State of Illinois Also that portion of section fifteen (15) Town twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East of the 4th P.M. in said County of Lee and State of Illinois and described as follows commencing fifty one rods and twelve links west of the south West corner of the West half of the North East quarter of section fifteen aforesaid running west fifty six rods and three links to a stone thence North one hundred and fifty nine rods to a stone thence East thirty rods and twenty links to a stone in line of right of way of Illinois Central Rail Road thence South forty five degrees and twenty minutes east along right of way of Illinois Central Rail Road thirty two rods and twenty links to a stone at place of beginning containing fifty three acres & fifty three rods of land And the said commissioners have also set off in severalty to Elijah S Hill

the premises described as the East half of the North
 West quarter of the North East quarter of Section thirty
 Two (32) Township Twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East of the
 fourth 4th P.M. in Lee County in said State of Illinois
 containing twenty acres of land and the said Commis-
 sioners have also set off in severally to Mary Hill
 widow of Wamen Hill deceased all those certain tracts
 of land described as follows in said County of
 Lee and State of Illinois to wit Ten acres being the
 south half of the west ~~quarter~~ half of the North West
 quarter of the North East quarter of Section thirty two (32)
 Township Twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East of the 4th P.M.
 Also the following described land commencing four
 rods and nineteen links west of the South West corner
 of the east half of the North East quarter of Section
 fifteen Township Twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East 4th P.M.
 running West fifty six rods and eighteen links to a
 stone thence North one hundred and thirty six rods
 to stone in line of right of way of Illinois Central rail
 way thence South forty five degrees and thirty minutes
 to east along the right of way of Illinois Central
 Rail Road eighty seven rods and five links to a
 stone. thence South fifty eight rods and five links
 to a stone thence west four rods and nineteen links
 to a stone thence South sixteen rods and twenty
 links to place of beginning containing forty
 acres and eight rods of land
 Now on motion of De Wolf and Prukney of counsel

for Complaint It is ordered adjudge and decreed
and this Court by virtue of the authority therein vested
doth order adjudge and decree that the said report
and all things therein contained do stand ratified
and confirmed and that the petition so made before
and effectual forever between the said parties
respectively hold in severally the portion of the said
premises so aforesaid allotted and assigned in severally
to them

W. W. Heaton

Judge

Fees \$ 21.00

...described as the ...
...of the North East quarter of section twenty
two (22) Township Twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East of the
... in Lee County in said State of Illinois
... twenty acres of land ...
... have also set off in ...
... of ... will descend ...
... of land described as follows in said County of
Lee and State of Illinois to wit: Ten acres being the
south half of the west quarter of the North East
quarter of the North East quarter of section twenty two
Township Twenty (20) Range Ten (10) East of the ...
... the following described land commencing from
... intersection line west of the ...
... North East quarter of section
... Township Twenty ...
... fifty eight rods and eight ...
... North one hundred rods ...
... line of right of way of Illinois ...
... South forty five degrees ...
... along the right of way of Illinois ...
... Road eighty seven rods and five ...
... South fifty eight rods and five ...
... three west four rods and ...
... South ... and ...
... place of beginning containing ...
... eight rods of land
... motion of ...

for Complaint. It is ordered, adjudged and decreed
and the Court by virtue of its authority herein vested
doth order, adjudge and decree that the said upon
and all things therein contained do stand ratified
and confirmed and that the petition as made before
and made effectual forever between the said parties
except that held in favorably the position of the said
persons as a before said allotted and assigned in several
to them

W. H. Keaton

Judge

Filed 2/1/1882

State of Illinois, 3
Lee County, 3 ss.

Pleas in the Lee County Circuit Court, in the twenty second Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois, in a certain matter wherein Mary Hill was plaintiff and The University of Chicago, Elijah S. Hill and Cornelius A. Hall, were defendants, in a petition for Partition,

At a regular term of the Lee County Circuit Court, begun and held at the Court house in the city of Dixon, in said Lee County, on the fourth Monday, the same being the twenty fourth day, of November, A.D. 1862, then being present

Honorable William W. Heaten, Judge of the said 22^d Judicial Circuit,
David McCarthey, State's attorney for said Judicial Circuit,
Benjamin F. Shaw, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said Lee County
and Aaron L. Porter, Sheriff of said Lee County,

Be it remembered, that on the 26th day of November A.D. 1862, the same being one of the regular days of said November term, the following proceedings were had in said cause, as appears to us of record, that is to say;

" Mary Nell
" as
" The University of Chicago, et al. Partition

" On this day comes
" the Petitioner by Dr Wolf and Pinkney her attor-
" neys, and on her motion this cause is contin-
" ued for service."

And afterwards, at another regular term
of the said Circuit Court, begun and held at
the court house in Dixon, in said Lee County,
on the 9th day of February A.D. 1863, then
and there being present

Hon. William W. Keaton, Judge
David McCartney, States Attorney,
Benjamin F. Shaw, Clerk, and
Charles F. Lynn, Sheriff.

on the 12th day of February A.D. 1863, the same
being one of the regular days of the said Feb-
ruary term of said court, the following proceed-
ings were had in said cause as appears to
us of record, that is to say;

" Mary Nell
" as
" The University of Chicago, Elijah Partition,
" S. Nell and Cornelius H. Wall

" On this day
" comes the Petitioner in this suit by Dr Wolf and
" Pinkney her solicitors, and the University of Chicago

" having been regularly served with process
" more than ten days before the first day of
" this term of this court, is now three times
" solemnly called, but comes not, nor comes
" any person for it, but herein makes default,
" whereupon it is ordered by the court that the
" petition herein stated taken as confessed
" as to said University; and the other defen-
" dants, having filed their answers herein,
" now on motion of said counsel for the petitioner
" herein this cause is referred to the master in
" Chancery of this court for this county, to take
" proofs herein, and to report the same without
" delay - "

And afterwards, to-wit; on the 23rd
day of February A.D. 1863, the same being as
yet one of the regular days of the said
February term of said court, the following
proceedings were had in said cause as ap-
pears to us of record, that is to say;

" Mary Nell
" as
" The University of Chicago, Elijah Partition,
" S. Nell and Cornelius H. Wall,

" On this day
" again comes the Petitioner by her said Solicitor
" and submits to the court the report of the master
" in chancery herein to whom this cause was

" refused to take proofs of the matters and things
" in said petition herein alleged and set forth,
" and the court having examined said report of
" proofs so made as aforesaid, it is now by
" the court ordered that the said report, and
" all things therein contained do stand sub-
" stantiated and confirmed, and thereupon the said
" report is filed herein, and this cause is set
" for hearing,

" And this cause being brought on to be
" heard upon the report of Lorenzo Wood a
" Master in Chancery of this court, and the
" said report having been approved by this
" court, and it appearing to the court that
" said Warren Hill died intestate, and seized
" of the real estate as described and set
" forth in the petition of Mary Hill, on
" March 24th A.D. 1862, and that said
" Warren Hill left a widow Mary Hill
" and no ^{child or} children, and no descendants of such
" child or children, that the will of the said
" Warren Hill was duly filed, admitted to record,
" and approved on the 26th day of April A.D.
" 1862, in the County Court in and for said Lee
" County; that at the April term A.D. 1862,
" of said County Court, the said Mary Hill,
" one of the executors, named in the will (with
" one Cornelius A. Wall) of the said Warren Hill
" deceased, declined to act, and that she

" relinquished her right to act in the capac-
" ity of such executor, and that said Mary
" Hill on the 7th day of May A.D. 1862, re-
" nounced and quitted all claims to the benefit
" of any jointure, bequest or devise, made to her,
" by the said last will and testament of War-
" ren Hill deceased, and that on said seventh
" day of May A.D. 1862, said Mary Hill widow
" of said Warren Hill, made her new election
" under the laws of this State to take in lieu
" of her dower in the estate of the said Warren
" Hill deceased, her legal share of said estate
" after the payment of all just claims and
" debts against the estate of said Warren
" Hill, And it further appearing to the
" court that the said Cornelius A. Wall
" named with the said Mary Hill as executor
" in said last will and testament of Warren
" Hill, deceased, took the oath of office, and
" entered upon his duties as such executor on
" the 26th day of April A.D. 1862, and that
" said Cornelius A. Wall is now in the discharge
" of his duties as such executor, and that
" the debts and liabilities now remaining un-
" paid of the said Warren Hill, deceased, are of
" small amount and few in number, And
" it further appearing that there is now in the
" hands of the said executor Cornelius A. Wall,
" an amount of personal property belonging

" to the estate of the said Warren Hill, de-
" ceased, which is of great value, and more
" than sufficient to pay all the debts and
" claims against the estate of the said War-
" ren Hill, deceased; and it appearing that
" default hath been taken in this cause
" as to the said University of Chicago, and
" that the said defendants Elijah S. Hill
" and Cornelius A. Wall executors of the last
" will and testament of Warren Hill, deceased,
" have by their several answers filed in
" this cause, admitted the facts set forth
" in the petition of the said Mary Hill to be
" true,

" It is therefore ordered, adjudged and
" decreed by the Court, and this Court by
" virtue of the power and authority therein
" vested, doth order, adjudge and decree
" hereby, that partition be made of the lands
" and premises in the petition in this
" cause described, which premises are
" described as follows, to wit; An undi-
" vided one half part of the North West
" quarter quarter of the North East quarter
" of Section number thirty two, in Township
" number twenty of range number ten
" North and East of the fourth P. M.,
" situated in the County of Lee and State of
" Illinois,

" Also the following described property,
" described on the map of Section sixteen,
" Township number twenty North of range
" No ten East of the fourth P. M. of Lee
" County Illinois, made by the trustees
" of School lands within and for said
" Township as lots number two & three
" (2 and 3) being the West half of the
" North East quarter and the East
" half of the North West quarter of Sec-
" tion sixteen (16, Township number twenty
" 20) North of range ten East of the 4th
" P. M. situated in said Lee County, the
" first of said tracts containing about
" forty acres of land, and the last tract
" containing about one hundred and fifty
" seven and 700 acres, excepting from said
" land as described the following lots pieces
" or parcels of land, to wit; a tract of land
" deeded by Warren Hill and Mary Hill to Nathan
" Woolsey on March 25th A.D. 1858, in the lifetime
" of the said Warren Hill, and also one other ex-
" ception, described as the same are described
" (as exceptions) in the petition filed in this
" cause, and as described in the master's report in this cause,
" and that partition of the said prem-
" ises be made in the manner following,
" to wit; - that there be allotted to Elijah
" S. Hill, and to the estate of the said Warren
" Hill, deceased, to each a one half portion

" of the North West quarter (NW¹/₄) of the North
" East quarter (NE¹/₄) of Section number
" thirty two in Township number twenty,
" in Range number ten East of the fourth
" P.M. in said Lee county, to be set apart
" to each by metes and bounds, and that
" when the same shall have been so allotted
" and set apart, that there be allotted and set
" apart to Mary Nee, and to the University
" of Chicago, and to each of them in sever-
" ally by metes and bounds a one half divid-
" ed part of that portion of the North West
" quarter of the North East quarter of said
" section thirty two, town twenty, range
" ten East of the fourth P.M. which shall be
" so set apart as aforesaid to the estate of the
" said Warren Nee, and that there be also allotted
" and set apart to the said Mary Nee and
" the University of Chicago, and to each of
" them in severally by metes and bounds, a
" divided one half part of the land described
" as follows in the map of the section sixteen
" township number twenty, north, of range
" ten East of the fourth P.M. of Lee county
" Illinois made by the Trustees of School
" lands written and for said Township as
" lots number two and three (2 & 3, being
" the West half of the North East quarter,
" and the East half of the North West

" quarter of Section sixteen, township number
" twenty North of Range ten East of the
" fourth P.M. in Lee county Illinois with
" the exceptions of the pieces or parcels of land
" named in the petition, and in the mas-
" ters report filed in this cause as excep-
" tions, the quantity and the quality of all
" of said lands to be mutually considered,
" said lands so allotted to said Mary Nee
" and the University of Chicago to be held
" in severally by them and each of them
" forever,

" And now on motion of said petitioner's
" solicitors it is further ordered that George E.
" Haskell, Martin Wright and Harry Barnes
" of the County of Lee and State of Illinois, be
" and they are hereby appointed commissioners
" for the purpose of making such partition,
" and that the said commissioners before
" proceeding to the execution of their duties,
" shall take an oath before this court or some
" Justice of the Peace, fairly and impartially
" to make partition of said lands in acen-
" dance with the judgment of their court,
" as to the rights and interests of the said
" parties, and that they make a report of
" the same, under their hands and seals, to
" this court; and the said commissioners
" shall designate the parts or portions so

" allotted to each of said parties and
" the boundaries thereof by sufficient des-
" criptions and monuments, And it is further
" ordered, adjudged and decreed that in
" said partition of said premises cannot
" be made with perfect equality between
" said parties, and without manifest
" prejudice to the proprietors of the same, the
" commissioners so appointed to partition
" the same shall so report the fact to, and
" await the action and order of, this court,
" And it is further ordered that a commission
" issue out of, and under the seal of this
" court, directed to the said George E. Haskell,
" Martin Wright & Harry Bamel authorizing
" and directing them to make such partition
" in the manner above directed, "

And afterwards, at another regular
term of the said Circuit Court, begun
and held at the court house, in Dixon,
in said Lee county, on the fourth Mon-
day, the same being the 22^d day, of
June A.D. 1863, then and there being
present;

Hon. William M. Keaton, Judge,
David McCartney, State atty.,
Benjamin F. Shaw, Clerk, and
Charles F. Lynn, Sheriff,

to wit; on the 23^d day of June, the same
being as yet one of the regular days of
the said June term A.D. 1863, of said
court, the following proceedings were
had in said cause as appears to us of
record, that is to say;

" Mary Hill } Petition for
" or } Partition,
" The University of Chicago, Elijah }
" S. Hill and Cornelius A. Wall }
" } Now on this

" day comes the petitioner by De Wolf &
" Pinkney, her solicitors, and now file the
" report of the Commissioners heretofore ap-
" pointed to make partition of the premises
" described in the petition in this cause,
" which said report is by the court ordered
" to stand approved -

" And this cause having been brought
" on to be heard upon the report of George
" E. Haskell, Martin Wright and Harry
" Bamel, Commissioners appointed therein,
" under and by virtue of a commission is-
" sued out of and under the seal of this
" Court, and on reading and filing said
" report, which bears date the 16th day of
" May A.D. 1863, by which it appears that
" the Commissioners above named have made
" partition of the premises described in the

"petition for partition in this cause between
"the said University of Chicago, Elijah
"S. Hill and Mary Hill widow of Wamw
"Hill, deceased, according to their respec-
"tive rights and interests therein, and by
"which said partition the said Commis-
"sioners above named have divided the
"whole of the said premises into three al-
"lotments, and have set off in severalty
"to the "University of Chicago" all those
"certain portions of land designated in
"the map annexed to said report by the
"letters A. - "B", and which are described
"as follows, To-wit, being the North
"West quarter of the North West quarter
"of the North East quarter of Section
"thirty two (32), Town twenty (20), Range
"ten (10), East of the fourth P.M. in Sec
"County, State of Illinois, Also that por-
"tion of section sixteen (16), Town twenty
"(20), Range ten (10), East of the fourth
"P.M. in said County of Sec and State of
"Illinois and described as follows, com-
"mencing sixty one rods and twelve
"links West of the South West corner of
"the West half of the North East quarter
"of Section sixteen aforesaid, running
"West fifty six rods and four links to
"a stone, thence North one hundred and

"fifty nine rods, to a stone, thence East
"thirty rods and twenty links to a stone
"in line of right of way of Illinois Central
"rail road, thence South forty five degrees
"and thirty minutes East along right of
"way of Illinois Central rail road, thirty
"two rods and twenty links to a stone, thence
"South one hundred and thirty six rods
"to a stone at place of beginning, con-
"taining fifty three acres and fifty
"two rods of land.

"And the said Commissioners have
"also set off in severalty to Elijah S.
"Hill the premises described as the East
"half of the North West quarter of the
"North East quarter of Section thirty two
"(32), Township twenty (20), Range ten
"(10), East of the fourth P.M. in the
"County of Sec and State of Illinois,
"containing twenty acres of land,

"And the said Commissioners
"have also set off in severalty to Mary
"Hill, widow of Wamw Hill, deceased, all
"those certain tracts of land described as
"follows in said County of Sec and State
"of Illinois, to-wit; Ten acres being the
"South half of the West half of the North
"West quarter of the North East quarter
"of Section thirty two (32) Township twenty

"(20) Range ten (10) East of the fourth
"P.M. Also the following described land
"Commencing four rods and nineteen links
"West of the South West corner of the East
"half of the North East quarter of Sec-
"tion sixteen, township twenty (20) range
"ten (10) East fourth P.M. running West
"fifty six rods and eighteen links to a
"stone; thence North one hundred and
"thirty six rods to a stone; ~~thence~~
"North one hundred and thirty six rods
"to a stone in line of right of way of
"Illinois Central railroad, thence South
"forty five degrees and thirty minutes
"East along the right of way of Illinois
"Central railroad eighty seven rods and
"five links to a stone, thence South fifty
"eight rods and five links to a stone,
"thence West four rods and nineteen
"links to a stone, thence South sixteen
"rods and twenty links to place of be-
"ginning, containing forty acres and
"eight rods of land -

"Now on motion of DeHoff and Pinkney
"of Counsel for the petitioners it is ordered,
"adjudged and decreed, and this Court
"by virtue of the power and authority
"therein vested doth order, adjudge and
"decree, that the said report and all

"things therein contained, do stand ratified
"and confirmed, and that the said Partit-
"tion so made be firm and effectual
"forever, between the said parties thereto,
"and the said parties respectively hold in
"severally the portion of the said premises
"so as aforesaid allotted and assigned
"in severally to them -"

State of Illinois, 3 ss.
Lee County. 3

J. Benjamin F. Shaw, Clerk
of the Circuit Court in and for said county,
do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full,
true and complete Manuscript of all the pro-
ceedings of record in a certain cause lately
determined in said court, wherein Mary
Hill was plaintiff, and The University of Chi-
cago, Elijah S. Hill and Cornelius A. Wall,
were defendants, in a petition for partition,
as shown by the books of my said office,

In Testimony whereof I hereunto
set my hand and affix the seal
of said Court, this 28th day of
July A.D. 1864.

Benjamin F. Shaw, Clerk,
By E. A. Divine, Deputy.

Fee \$4.50