

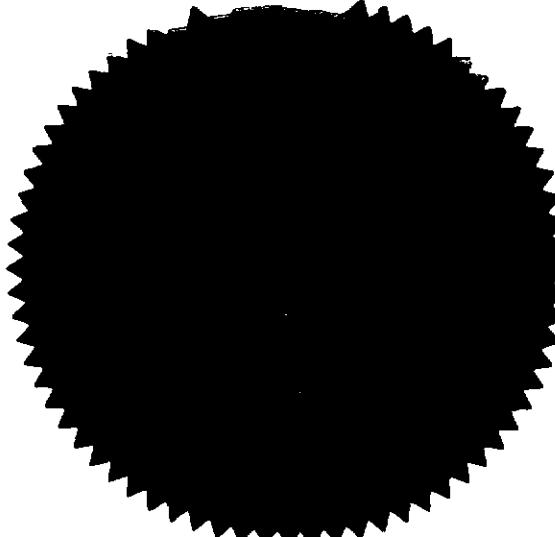
Michigan  
Department of State  
Lansing

I, FRED M. WARNER, Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, <sup>do</sup> hereby certify that the attached pages contain a correct transcript of the articles of association of

The Case & Willard Thresher Company,

recorded in this office February 1st, 1882, and of five amendments thereto, recorded respectively in this office on January 27, 1885, December 4, 1886, December 15, 1887, April 17, 1890, and February 26, 1900.

In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature and the Great Seal of the State, at Lansing, this twenty-fourth day of June, nineteen hundred three.

  
Fred M. Warner  
Secretary of State.

Know all men by these presents that we Constantine G. Case, Levett Y. Willard and Albert C. Kingman under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature of the State of Michigan entitled "an act for the incorporation of manufacturing Companies" approved May 1st, 1875 and the amendments thereto do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style of "The Case and Willard Thresher Company" of Battle Creek, Michigan for the purpose of engaging in and carrying on the manufacture of Threshers, Engines, Horse powers and all other articles manufactured in whole or part of wood, leather, iron, steel, copper or brass. That the capital stock of said corporation shall be One hundred thousand dollars, divided into four thousand shares of twenty five dollars each.

The term of the existence of said corporation shall be thirty years. The stock property affairs and business of said corporation shall be managed by five directors who shall be chosen annually by the stockholders at such time and place as shall be provided by the by laws of said corporation who shall be stockholders and shall hold their office for one year and until others shall be chosen in their stead.

The amount of capital stock actually paid in is fifty thousand dollars being two thousand shares of subscribed and paid up stock.

The names of the stockholders, their respective residences and the number of shares held by each are as follows:

Constantine G. Case, residence Battle Creek, Michigan, seven hundred and twenty shares

Levett J. Willard, residence Hammett township, Calhoun County and State of Michigan, Eleven hundred and twenty shares

Albert C. Kingman, residence Battle Creek, Michigan, One hundred and sixty shares.

The place in this State where their office for the transaction of business is located is the City of Battle Creek, Calhoun County and State of Michigan and the place where manufacturing is to be carried on is the City of Battle Creek, Calhoun County, State of Michigan.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 1st  
day of March A.D. 1881.

In presence of

G. E. Thomas

Frank M. Rathbun

Constantine G. Case

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Lovett J. Willard

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Albert C. Kingman

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State of Michigan

County of Calhoun SS.

On this 1st day of March A. D. 1881 before me a Notary Public in and  
for said County personally came the above named Constantine G. Case, Lovett  
J. Willard and Albert C. Kingman, known to me to be the persons named in and  
who executed the above instrument and acknowledged that they executed the  
same for the intents and purposes therein mentioned.

Charles E. Thomas,

Notary Public.

Received for record Feb. 1, 1882.

We, William Andrus, President, Sumner O. Bush, Luther Holton,  
Charles E. Thomas, Constantius G. Case, Frank M. Rathbun, and William  
H. Mason, a majority of the Directors of the Case and Willard Thresher Com-  
pany of Battle Creek, Michigan, do hereby certify, that at the annual meeting  
of the stockholders of said corporation held at the office of said corpora-  
tion, in the City of Battle Creek, Michigan, on January, 5<sup>th</sup> 1885, by a vote  
of upwards of two-thirds in value and number of stockholders, the Capital  
Stock of the Case & Willard Thresher Company, of Battle Creek, Michigan, was  
increased to Two hundred and Fifty thousand dollars, and the number of shares  
to One hundred thousand, and the number of Directors of said corporation was  
fixed at nine, and the articles of association so amended.

Dated, Battle Creek, Jan'y 15<sup>th</sup>, 1885.

<u>W. Andrus,</u>	<u>, President.</u>
S. O. Bush	)
Luther Holton	)
Charles E. Thomas	)
Constantius G. Case	)
Frank M. Rathbun	)
<u>Wm. H. Mason</u>	)

Directors.

Received for record January 27, 1885.

We, William H. Mason President, and Brainerd T. Skinner Secretary  
of The Case & Willard Thresher Company of Battle Creek, Michigan, do hereby  
certify that at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the said corpora-  
tion held at the office of said corporation at Battle Creek, Michigan, Decem-  
ber First 1886, by vote of upwards of two thirds in value and number of the  
stockholders, the following amendment to the articles of association was  
adopted:

Resolved that the name of the corporation be changed from the "Case  
& Willard Thresher Company" of Battle Creek, Michigan, to "Advance Thresher  
Company," and that the articles of association be amended by striking out  
the name "Case & Willard Thresher Company" of Battle Creek, Michigan, after  
the words "under the name and style of" and before the words "for the pur-  
pose of engaging in," and inserting in the place thereof the words "Advance  
Thresher Company," so that the articles of association as amended January 8th  
1885, and hereby amended will read as follows:

Know all men by these presents, that we Constantius G. Case, Levett  
J. Willard and Albert C. Kingman, under and by virtue of an act of the Legis-  
lature of the State of Michigan entitled, "An act for the incorporation of  
manufacturing companies" approved May first 1875, and the Amendments thereto  
do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style of "Advance  
Thresher Company" for the purpose of engaging in and carrying on the man-  
ufacture Threshers, engines, horse powers and all other articles manufactured  
in whole or part, of wood, leather, iron, steel, copper or brass. That the  
capital stock of said corporation shall be (\$250,000) Two Hundred Fifty Thou-  
sand Dollars, divided into (10000) Ten Thousand shares of (\$25.00) Twenty five  
dollars each. That the term of existence of said corporation shall be Thirty  
years.

The stock, property, affairs and business of said corporation shall  
be managed by nine Directors, who shall be chosen annually by the stockholders,  
at such time and place as shall be provided by the by laws of said corporation,  
who shall be stockholders and shall hold their office for one year and until  
others shall be chosen in their stead.

The amount of capital stock actually paid in is (\$30000) Fifty Thousand dollars, being two thousand shares of subscribed and paid up stock.

The names of the stockholders and their respective residences and the number of shares held by each, are as follows:

Constantius G. Case, residence Battle Creek, Michigan. 720 shares.

Lovett J. Willard, residence, Emmett, Township, Calhoun County, State of Michigan. 1120 shares.

Albert C. Kingman, residence Battle Creek, Michigan. 160 shares.

The place in the state where their office for the transaction of business is located, is the City of Battle Creek, Calhoun County and State of Michigan, and the place where the manufacturing is to be carried on is the City of Battle Creek, Calhoun County, and State of Michigan.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this first day of March A. D. 1881.

In presence of

C. E. Thomas

Frank M. Rathbun

Constantius G. Case (seal)

Lovett J. Willard (seal)

Albert C. Kingman (seal)

State of Michigan )  
: ss.  
County of Calhoun )

On this first day of March A. D. 1881, before me a Notary Public in and for said County, personally came the above named Constantius G. Case, Lovett J. Willard and Albert C. Kingman, known to me to be the persons named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same for the intents and purposes therein mentioned.

Charles E. Thomas

Wm. H. Mason  
Prest.

Notary Public.

Braimrd T. Skinner

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Received for record Dec. 4, 1886.

Certificate of increase of Capital Stock, January 25th, 1900.

Advance Thresher Company of Battle Creek, Michigan:

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We, A. W. Wright President, and Charles E. Thomas, William H. Mason,  
Willis T. Knowlton, S. O. Bush, James Green and M. LaFever, Directors of  
the Advance Thresher Company, being a majority of the Directors of said Cor-  
poration, do hereby certify that at the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders  
of said Corporation, held at the office of said Corporation in the City of  
Battle Creek, Calhoun County, Michigan, on Thursday, January 25th, 1900, at  
10 o'clock in the forenoon, by a vote of 36,908 shares in favor, and ~~1445~~<sup>none</sup> shares  
against, being a vote of upwards of two-thirds of the total Capital Stock in  
favor of the same, the Capital Stock of the Advance Thresher Company was in-  
creased from One Million Dollars, (\$1,000,000) to One Million Five Hundred  
Thousand, (\$1,500,000) and the number of shares to Sixty Thousand (60,000).

Dated January 25th, 1900.

A. W. Wright

Charles E. Thomas

Willis T. Knowlton

William H. Mason

S. O. Bush

James Green

M. LaFever

(10¢ I.R. Stamp Jan.)

Recorded February 26, 1900.

**ENDORSEE:**

Certified Copy of the Articles of Association  
of The Case and Willard Thresher Co. now Advance Thresher Co.

STATE OF IDAHO, }  
County of Latah.)      ss.

I hereby certify that  
the within instrument was filed on the 1st day of July  
1903 at 9:30 o'clock A. M. Request of C. L. Butterfield.

AXEL P. RAMSTEDT, County Recorder.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

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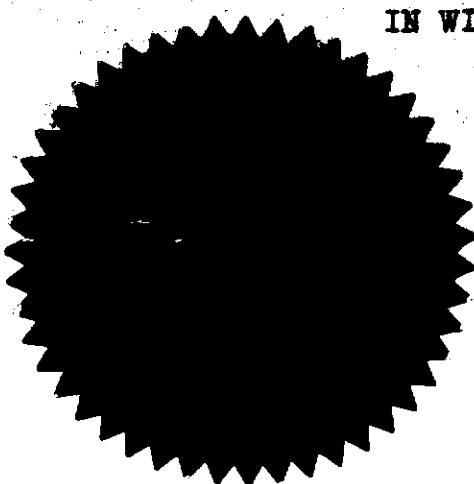
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(Auditor and Recorder)  
(Latah County, Idaho.) Seal

STATE OF IDAHO, )  
County of Latah.) } ss.

I, AXEL P. RAMSTEDT, Ex-officio Recorder in  
and for said county and state do hereby certify that the above and fore-  
going is a full, true and correct copy of a certified copy of the ARTICLES  
OF ~~ASSOCIATION~~ <sup>with Amendments thereto,</sup> ~~ASSOCIATION~~ of THE CASE AND WILLARD THRESHER COMPANY <sup>as the same</sup>  
appears on file in my office. Filed on the 1st day of July A. D. 1903,  
at 9:30 o'clock A. M.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and  
affixed my official seal at Moscow, Idaho, this  
1st day of July A. D. 1903.

Axel P. Ramstedt  
Ex-officio Recorder.

We, Summer O. Bush, Vice President and Acting President, Charles E. Thomas, Frank M. Rathbun, William H. Mason, William Andrus, Charles Willard and Morgan M. Lewis, Directors of the Advance Thresher Company, (being a majority of the Directors of said corporation) do hereby certify, that at the adjourned annual meeting of the stockholders of said corporation, held at the office of said corporation in the city of Battle Creek, Calhoun County, Michigan on Saturday April 12th 1890, by a vote of 18619 shares in favor of, and none against, being upwards of a vote of two thirds of the capital stock, and two thirds of the stockholders of the Advance Thresher Company in favor of same, the capital stock of the Advance Thresher Company was increased to one million dollars (\$1000 000) and the number of shares to forty thousand (40000).

Dated April 14th 1890.

Summer O. Bush

Charles E. Thomas.

Frank M. Rathbun

Wm. H. Mason

William Andrus

Charles Willard

Morgan M. Lewis

Received for Record April 17, 1890.

We, William H. Mason, President and Charles E. Thomas, Frank M. Rathbun, Morgan M. Lewis, William Andrus & Luther Holton - Directors of the Advance Thresher Company (being a majority of the Directors of said corporation) do hereby certify, that at the annual meeting of the stockholders of said corporation held at the office of said corporation, in the City of Battle Creek on Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> 1887, by a vote of 7963 shares in favor and 1260 shares against, being upwards of a vote of two thirds of the capital stock of the Advance Thresher Company in favor of the same, the capital stock of the Advance Thresher Company was increased to five hundred thousand dollars and the number of shares to twenty thousand.

Dated December 10<sup>th</sup> 1887.

Wm. H. Mason - President,

Charles E. Thomas

W. Andrus

Luther H. Holton

Frank M. Rathbun

Morgan M. Lewis

Directors of

Advance Thresher Company,

Received for Record Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> 1887.