"Henry Hughes, the son of Thomas Hughes, was born in England, Jan. 28, 1835. He came to the United States with his parents, and was engaged in Blacksmithing at Burlington, Iowa; came with his parents to Minnesota in 1853, with two yokes of oxen, two cows, three horses and two wagons, being twenty seven days on the road. He worked at blacksmithing in Minneapolis one year, then joined his father on the homestead in Plymouth. He was married Dec. 4,1862 to Mary A Case, of Ohio, who has born him eight children, seven of whom are living. In July, 1864 he enlisted in the Eight Minnesota Infantry, and was mustered out May 1865. Mr. Hughes has a fine farm, and in connection with it, carries on the blacksmithing business."

Henry Hughes and his wife had the following children some of whome are dead; Fred, deceased, George, deceased, Clarence and Frank deceased, Robert, deceased, Amanda, deceased, Ida, deceased and Willie, living on the Henry Hughes farm (1956) and Nell in Minneapolis. (1956)

Henry Hughes died in 1898 and his wife in 1929. Both are buried at Parker Lake Cemetery.

The farm of Henry Hughes in 1873 was assfollows; Sec. 9, $NE_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of which Thomas Hughes the father retained the $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ of $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ for his home. The whole $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ was then the property of Henry Hughes.

Copeed from " History of Mennepin County " Neill 1881

" Charles W Hughes was born in England, May 2, 1838. He came with his parents, Thomas and Hannah Hughes to America in 1849 and to Minnescta in 1853. Charles W. remained in St. Anthony, working with Daniel Bassett, one of the first carriage makers in the place, one and one half years. He and his brother Henry made claims in Benton county, remained one year, but were obliged to abandon their claims on account of scarcity of provisions. In the fall of 1859, he built a carriage shop near the suspension bridge, in Minneapolis, and remained there until 1861, when he enlisted in Company D, First Minnesota Infantry, and served until mustered out in May, 1864. He participated in twenty one engagements, some of them the hardest fought battles of the war. In 1864 he joined Gen. Sully's expedition up the Yellowstone; returned in the fall and worked for the government at Fort Snelling, till the spring of 1865, when he came to Plymouth, bought forty acres of land, to which he has since added forty more, and has built up a good home. Married to Martha Hatcher, of HennepinnCounty, May 14, 1865. They have eight children."

The 1873 atlas shows Charles Hughes's farm as follows; Sec. 17 the SE_{4}^{1} of the SE_{4}^{1} . His wife Martha died at childbirth leaving eight children who were cared for by relatives. There are copies of letters written by Charles Hughes while a soldier in the Civil war and I believe were written to his sister Mary Ann.

Hughes, James

By preemption, Warrant 1855, Sec. 18, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, 40 acres & W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, 80 acre 3-4-1857. Entry # 663