## MR. PACKARD'S BIG FARM.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Nov. 25.—By the largest single transfer of real estate ever made in Marshall County, the Hon. Stephen B. Packard, of New-Orleans, becomes the owner of 1,240 acres of land in Linn and Marietta Townships, about two miles west of Marshalltown City, comprising what were known as the Allen farms. Mr. Packard paid \$75,000 for the property. He said in an interview that he had become interested in cattle raising during his seven years' residence as United States Consul at Liverpool, and thought he would enjoy the quiet of farm pursuits.

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