

(4-369.)

## HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

James Foreman, being called as a witness in his own behalf in support of his statement, No. 11449, for NW 1/4 Sec 11 T28 R38 testifies as follows:

Ques. 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?

Ans. James Foreman, 34 yrs old, Hull Neb.

Ques. 2.—Are you a *native born* citizen of the United States, and if so, in what State or Territory were you born?\*

Ans. I am native born, I was born in Ohio

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made homestead entry, No. 11449, at the North Platte land office on the 4th day of

Oct 11 1876, and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. I am the identical person who made said entry. It is H<sup>104</sup> Lec 11, pp. 20, R 38

Quos. 4.—When was your house built on the land and when did you establish actual residence therein? (Describe said house and other improvements which you have placed on the land, giving total value thereof.)

Ans. My house was built in summer of 1887. I <sup>affidavit</sup>  
established residence Aug 1st 1887. My house is log  
14x24 with addition 14x16, 2 moly windows, 2 attics, semi 1/2

Quest. 5.—Of whom does your family consist and have you and your family resided continuously on the land since first establishing residence thereon? (If unmarried, state the fact.)

Ans. Wife and 4 children. Myself and family  
have resided continuously on the land.

Ques. 6.—For what period or periods have you been absent from the homestead since making settlement, and for what purpose; and if temporarily absent, did your family reside upon and cultivate the land during such absence?

Ans. I have not been absent at all.

Ques. 7.—How much of the land have you cultivated each season and for how many seasons have you raised crops thereon?

Ans - I have cultivated 35 acres each season, I have

raised crops 6 seasons.

Ques. 8.—Is your present claim within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade and business?

Ans. It is, not within the limits of any city or town.

Ques. 9.—What is the character of the land? Is it timber, mountainous, prairie, grazing, or ordinary agricultural land? State its kind and quality, and for what purpose it is most valuable.

Ans. It is prairie land. Used farming, & grazing

land, and is not valuable for that purpose.

Ques. 10.—Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals, of any kind, on the land? (If so, describe what they are, and state whether the land is more valuable for agricultural than for mineral purposes.)

Ans. There are good indications of animals of some

Ques. 11.—Have you ever made any other homestead entry? (If so, describe the same.)

Ans. I have never made any other horizontal

Ques. 12.—Have you sold, conveyed, or mortgaged any portion of the land; and if so, to whom and for what

Ans, I have not sold, conveyed or mortgaged any

Ques. 13.—Have you any personal property of any kind elsewhere than on this claim? (If so, describe the same,

Ans - I have no personal knowledge of same kind

elsewhere than on this claim.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the claimant before being subscribed, and was

sworn to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 1897

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

\* (In case the party is of foreign birth a certified transcript from the court records of his declaration of intention to become a citizen, or of his naturalization, or a copy thereof, certified by the officer taking this proof, must be filed with the case. Evidence of naturalization is only required in final (five year) homestead cases.)