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HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Biba Cleveland, being called as witness in support of the Homestead
of B. Thiahtum, Dec 14-20-58, testifies as follows:

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

Answer. Biba Cleveland age 50 yrs P.O. Hull, Neb.

Ques. 2.—Are you well acquainted with the claimant in this case and the land embraced in his claim?

Ans. I am well acquainted with both

Ques. 3.—Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade or business?

Ans. It is not within city or town

Ques. 4.—State specifically the character of this land—whether it is timber, prairie, grazing, farming, coal, or mineral land.

Ans. It is ordinary grazing of prairie land

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?

Ans. Claimant settled on Homestead in the autumn of 1888 exact date I do not know

Ques. 6.—Have claimant and family resided continuously on the homestead since first establishing residence thereon? (If settler is unmarried, state the fact.)

Ans. Claimant has resided on homestead almost continuously. Claimant is married.

Ques. 7.—For what period or periods has the settler been absent from the land since making settlement, and for what purpose; and if temporarily absent, did claimant's family reside upon and cultivate the land during such absence?

Ans. Claimant has been absent two or three different times for work but this has been for a short time.

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon?

Ans. About 5 acres have been broken. Just a garden has been cultivated each year.

Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land and what is their value?

Ans. There is a house, a well, and 5 acres breaking. Total value about \$200.00

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

Ans. No indications of minerals to my knowledge.

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?

Ans. Not to my knowledge

Ques. 12.—Are you interested in this claim; and do you think the settler has acted in entire good faith in perfecting this entry?

Ans. I am not interested in this claim. I think the settler has acted in good faith.

Biba V Cleveland

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 12th day of August, 1891.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

(The testimony of witnesses must be taken at the same time and place, and before the same officer as claimant's final affidavit. The answers must be full and complete to each and every question asked, and officers taking testimony will be expected to make no mistakes in dates, description of land, or otherwise.)

Hickory, Clerk of the Dist.
Court, 12th St. & 10th Ave. Neb.
By J. H. Harmon, Deputy