

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Samuel Moorhead, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Leri B Spear, for 62 NW 1/4, 10 2 18 Sec 34 T20 R58, testifies as follows:

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

Ans. Samuel Moorhead age 49 Post Office Hannuaburg at present

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

Ans. I am.

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

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

Ans. It is prairie and farming land.

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

Ans. He settled on the land in the month of April. I think on the 18th ^{of 1887} and began residence on the land on the 26th day of April 1887.

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

Ans. Yes sir they have.

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. They have not been absent from the land.

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

Ans. Thirty five acres cultivated for 4 and five years.

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

Ans. 40 acres fence, 2 mows, 40 acres fence, Blademith Shop, 60 den home stable, mill, thirty five acres of cultivated land all of the value of \$16.00⁰⁰

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. None whatever

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

Ans. He has not

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 the claim and think he has acted in good faith.
Samuel Moorhead

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed and was sworn to before me this 23rd day of March, 1893.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

A. M. Fairfield
U.S. Circuit Court Commissioner

(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.)

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