

State of Nebraska, )  
(SS.  
Scotts Bluff County )

Alfred Smith being first duly sworn according to law deposes and says that he is the identical person who made N.E. No. 2704, dated April 1, 1892, upon the E.1/2 of S.W.1/4 and W.1/2 of S.E.1/4 of Section 8, Township 20,N., of Range 58, West of the 6th P.M., and who offered final proof on said land: that said land is rough and is unfit for cultivation; that it is fit for nothing but grazing purposes, and was not cultivated by said affiant for the reason that it was impracticable to cultivate the same. Affiant further says that he has used said land for grazing purposes continuously every year since filing on the same to the present time, and has fixed and improved said land so as to make it suitable for keeping stock thereon; that it is more profitable to use said land for grazing purposes than for any other purpose.

*Alfred Smith*

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1897.

*J. Budrow*  
Notary Public

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L.L. Cricket and *Jos. Budrow* being first duly sworn deposes and says, each for himself, that he is acquainted with the land described in the above affidavit of Alfred Smith, and has been acquainted with said tract of land for the past five years; that said land is rough and is unfit for cultivation; that it would be unprofitable to try to cultivate the same; that said tract of land is more suitable for grazing purposes than for anything else; that said land has been used for grazing purposes for the past five years by the said Alfred Smith; that said place has been improved so as to make it specially adapted to keeping and pasturing stock.

Witnesses to *Jos. Budrow*  
Signature

*C. S. DeLaMotte*

*L. L. Cricket*

*Jos. Budrow*

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1897.

My Commission Expires  
Feb. 26, 1901

*C. S. DeLaMotte*  
*Jos. Budrow* Notary Public