

(4-309.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

John Johnson, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Denny Anderson for 20th 21st 22nd 23rd 24th 25th 26th 27th 28th 29th 30th Sec. 1, T. 19, R. 5, S. 6, testifies as follows:

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

Ans. John Johnson, Age 62 years old, P.O. Harrisburg, Neb.

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

Ans. Yes

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. No.

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

Ans. only

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

Ans. He established a legal residence on the land June 27 1887. He bought the improvements there on the place

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

Ans. He is unmarried. He has resided continuously on the place and at one time he was absent a while

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. He was absent at one time at work in Colorado, in 1890, a few months

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

Ans. He has 8 ~~more~~ acres in cultivation, and has raised crops thereon each season since 1887

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

Ans. Frame house 12 by 20 ft, box stable 18 by 100 ft, well, Corbells, all under fence. I value improvements at \$1800

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

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

Ans. No.

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 have no interest in the claim. I think settler has acted in good faith in perfecting this entry

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

John Johnson

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 4 day of August, 1897, at my office at Harrisburg, in Barber County, Nebraska

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

A. N. Emery
County Judge

(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.)