

Ques. 11.—If the land is timber land, state whether the timber, or any portion thereof, and what portion, if any, has been cut or removed, and by whom?

Ans. no timber

Ques. 12.—What is this land used for, and who (if any one) besides the claimant is in any manner interested in or uses or controls the land or claims the timber thereon?

Ans. Planting & grazing, no one.

Ques. 13.—What has been claimant's occupation since you first knew him, and where has he been employed, and by whom?

Ans. He was a temperance lecturer when I first knew him and previous to coming here was a railroad contractor, since settling on his claim has been farming.

Ques. 14.—Has he had any other living or boarding place than on this land during the existence of his present claim? If so, state where he has been living or stopping.

Ans. no,

Ques. 15.—Does claimant's family reside on said land? When did they move thereon? How long have they lived there, and do they still reside thereon? If not, where do they reside?

Ans. no family

Ques. 16.—Has claimant's family been absent from said land since moving thereon? If so, state how often, how long each time, and the cause of said absence or absences.

Ans. no family

Ques. 17.—State in full and in detail all the facts within your knowledge as to claimant's actual residence upon this claim; when and how often you have seen him upon the land; what were the evidences that he actually lived on the tract; how long he has lived there, and whether he lives there now.

Ans. I have been on the claim about 25 times a month. He has been absent some, He has his improvements there. I have taken meals with him on the claim and stayed over night with him. He was living there the 9th day of May 1886 and has lived there ever since.

Ques. 18.—If claimant has been absent from said land since his alleged settlement, state fully how often, when, how long each time, and for what purpose.

Ans. absent three months from Jan. 7 to Apr. 6-1887, helping in the Post office at Kimball Neb. Two weeks in Feb. 1888, showing the new postmaster at Kimball how to run the office. These were his only absences except a day or two at a time going to town and back.

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