

[4-063.]

HOMESTEAD.

[AFFIDAVIT.]

Land Office at Sidney

Oct 9th, 1888

I, Theodore D. Deutsch, of Hill County, Neb

having filed my application, No. 1204, for an entry under

Section No. 2289, Revised Statutes of the United States, do solemnly swear

that I am the head of a family, a native born citizen of the United States -

that said application, No. 1204, is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation; that said entry is made for my own exclusive benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the benefit or use of any other person or persons whomsoever; and that I have not heretofore had the benefit of the homestead laws.

Theodore D. Deutsch

Sworn to and subscribed this 9th day

of Oct. 1888, before

John M. Adams Register of the Land Office.

See note, which Clerks of the Courts and Registers and Receivers will read and EXPLAIN THOROUGHLY to persons making application for lands where the affidavit is made before either of them. (See directions to Land Officers on Duplicate Receipt.)

Timber land embraced in a homestead entry not commuted, may be cleared in order to cultivate the land and improve the premises, but for no other purpose. If, after clearing the land for cultivation, there remains more timber than is required for improvement, there is no objection to the applicant or his heirs, assigns or assigns in law, cutting and removing for any other purpose all the timber on the land in being cleared of the timber required for improvement, and to dispose of the same in any manner he may see fit. If the timber is cut and removed for any other purpose, it will be liable to suit and for recovery of the value of said timber, and also to criminal prosecution under Section 2541 of the Revised Statutes.

NOTE.—If this affidavit be acknowledged before the Clerk of the Court, as provided for by Sec. 2294, U. S. Revised Statutes, the Homestead party must expressly state herein that he or some member of his family is residing upon the land applied for, and that bona fide improvement and settlement have been made. He must also state why he is unable to appear at the Land Office.