

(4-369.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

John H. Card being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Nellie A. Bolin for NE 1/4 Sec 13, T20R5E, testifies as follows:

Question 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?  
 Answer. John H. Card age 54 Post Office Hull Nebraska.

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

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 within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site for a city or town. Land is not used for trade or business.

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

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?  
 Ans. Claimant with her husband Dorsey Bolin settled upon the homestead about the middle of December 1898. Established their actual residence at that date.

Ques. 6.—Have claimant and family resided continuously on the homestead since first establishing residence thereon? (If settler is unmarried, state the fact.)  
 Ans. The claimant has resided continuously on the land since the entry was made by Dorsey Bolin husband of claimant and since death.

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. The claimant resided continuously on the tract with her husband until the date of his death.

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon?  
 Ans. The claimant has broke and cultivated about 35 acres of the tract and raised crops each year since date of entry.

Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land and what is their value?  
 Ans. Log house 14 x 18, Stable & sheds 14 x 50 or 60 ft. Tract all fenced, well. all of the value of about \$2500.

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. There are no indications of coal saline or minerals on the land.

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?  
 Ans. He has not mortgaged, sold or contracted to sell any portion of the land or any other part of it.

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 this claim and believe the settler has acted in entire good faith in perfecting this entry.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 14 day of October 1895 at my office at Hering, in DeWitt Bluff County, Nebraska.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

Oliver Gardner  
 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.)