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HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Martha A Ammerman, being called as a witness in ~~his~~ own behalf in support of homestead entry, No. *12820*, for *NE 1/4 Sec 23 Town 20 Range 58* testifies as follows:

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

Ans. *Martha A Ammerman age 45 Hull Nebraska 3 miles Co*

Ques. 2.—Are you a native born citizen of the United States, and if so, in what State or Territory were you born?*

Ans. *I am native born citizen Born Pennsylvania*

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made homestead entry, No. *12820*, at the

North Platte land office on the *26* day of

April 18*87*, and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. *NE 1/4 Sec 23 town 20 Range 58*

Ques. 4.—When was your house built on the land and when did you establish actual residence therein? (Describe said house and other improvements which you have placed on the land, giving total value thereof.)

Ans. *May 24th 1886 built house established residence June 10th 1886 Log house 14x22 Stable Log 16x24 Cane 13x15 well 45 feet deep Value \$4000*

Ques. 5.—Of whom does your family consist; and have you and your family resided continuously on the land since first establishing residence thereon? (If unmarried, state the fact.)

Ans. *Family consists of myself and one child Have not resided continuously single.*

Ques. 6.—For what period or periods have you been absent from the homestead since making settlement, and for what purpose; and if temporarily absent, did your family reside upon and cultivate the land during such absence?

Ans. *Absent from April 25 to Oct 25 1887 from then first to Dec 13 1889 from August 12th to Dec 1st 1889 from July 14 to August 30 1890 absent for support of myself & child*

Ques. 7.—How much of the land have you cultivated each season and for how many seasons have you raised crops thereon?

Ans. *In 1886 cultivated 6 acres and sowed 8 to corn in 1887 cultivated 6 1/2 acres to corn and 3 1/2 miller corn in 1888 cultivated 6 1/2 acres and sowed 8 to corn in 1889 cultivated 6 acres corn 1 1/2 cultivated to garden and potatoes on 1/2 acre, raised 200 bush of wheat*

Ques. 8.—Is your present claim within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade and business?

Ans. *No Sir*

Ques. 9.—What is the character of the land? Is it timber, mountainous, prairie, grazing, or ordinary agricultural land? State its kind and quality, and for what purpose it is most valuable.

Ans. *Agriculture and grazing for grazing and agriculture*

Ques. 10.—Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals, of any kind, on the land? (If so, describe what they are, and state whether the land is more valuable for agricultural than for mineral purposes.)

Ans. *No Sir for agricultural*

Ques. 11.—Have you ever made any other homestead entry? (If so, describe the same.)

Ans. *No*

Ques. 12.—Have you sold, conveyed, or mortgaged any portion of the land; and if so, to whom and for what purpose?

Ans. *No*

Ques. 13.—Have you any personal property of any kind elsewhere than on this claim? (If so, describe the same, and state where the same is kept.)

Ans. *No*

Martha A Ammerman

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the claimant before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this *fifteenth* day of *March* 18*90*

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

John Hottle
Clerk District Court

* (In case the party is of foreign birth a certified transcript from the court records of his declaration of intention to become a citizen, or of his naturalization, or a copy thereof, certified by the officer taking this proof, must be filed with the case. Evidence of naturalization is only required in final (five year) homestead cases.)