

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Arthur Williams, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Baltzer Eikenberry for NW. 1/4 Sec. 32, T. 21, R. 5 testifies as follows:

Ques. 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?
 Ans. Arthur William age 30 years, Postoffice Mitchell, Nebr. I am the same person advertised as Artur Williams, as witness in this proof.

Ques. 2.—Are you well acquainted with the claimant in this case and the land embraced in his claim?
 Ans. I am well acquainted with claimant and land in his 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. Said tract is not in limit of incorporated town selected site of town or used in any way 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 ordinary grazing land.

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead, and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?
 Ans. Claimant settled on his homestead during the month of April 1895 and established his residence at that time.

Ques. 6.—Have claimant and family resided continuously on the homestead since first establishing residence thereon? (If settler is unmarried, state the fact.)
 Ans. Claimant and family have resided on the land continuously since first establishing residence except for a few months each year when they resided with their children in the neighborhood of the land

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. Settler has been absent a few months each winter with his children, as he is too feeble to live alone during the winter.

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated, and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon?
 Ans. Settler has cultivated and raised crops on 10 acres for several seasons.

Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land, and what is their value?
 Ans. Log House 8x12, Log stable 14x14, well and land all under fence. Improvements are worth about \$200.00

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 coals, salines or mineral on the land.

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?
 Ans. Claimant has not mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell any portion of the homestead to my knowledge.

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 think the settler has acted in good faith in perfecting his entry.

(Sign plainly with full christian name.) Arthur Williams

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed and was sworn to before me this 18th day of November, 1901, at my office at Gering in Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.] J. M. Clumpton
 Clerk of District Court.

(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.)