

[4-063.]

## HOMESTEAD.

[AFFIDAVIT.]

Land Office at *North Platte Neb**Jan'y 26*, 1887.I, *Carrie S Pitter*, of *E. Lowell Neb*having filed my application, No. *12280*, for an entry under

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

that *I am an American citizen**and over twenty one years old**And further that I am the identical person**named in this Application*that said application, No. *12280*, 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.

*Carrie S. Pitter*Sworn to and subscribed this *26<sup>th</sup>* dayof *Jan'y* 1887, before*Oliver Thompson*  
of the Land Office.

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.

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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 Receipts.)

Timber land embraced in a homestead, or other entry not contemplated, may be reserved in order to cultivate the land and improve the premises, for no other purpose. If, after clearing the land for cultivation, there remains more timber than is needed for improvement, there is no objection to the entry of the same. But the question whether the land is being cleared of the timber for improvement purposes is a question of fact which is to be determined by the Land Office. It has been held that the entry of the same is not valid unless the timber is being cleared of the land for improvement purposes, and also in certain cases where certain kind of the reserved timber is cut, and the person who cut it is to be held to have cut it for the purpose of making and for recovery of the value of said timber, and also in certain cases where certain kind of the reserved timber is cut, and the person who cut it is to be held to have cut it for the purpose of making and for recovery of the value of said timber, and also in certain cases where certain kind of the reserved timber is cut, and the person who cut it is to be held to have cut it for the purpose of making and for recovery of the value of said timber.