

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Clinton B Mills being called as a witness in his own behalf in support of homestead entry, No. 3166 for S¹W¹E¹W¹SE¹Sec 27 20 Range 57 16 testifies as follows:

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

Ans. Clinton B Mills, age 36, P.O. Dannglen Dubosh

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 a native born citizen born in Michigan

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made homestead entry, No. 3166, at the Dannglen Dubosh land office on the 15th day of May 1893 and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. I am the identical person. S¹W¹E¹W¹SE¹ Sec 27 16 20 R 57.

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. House was built in June 1892, and I moved in June 1893. Hux August 12 1894. Well. Total 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. Myself. I have resided continuously.

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. I have not been absent for a 6 months in any one year. I am a single man. I was absent working making a bridge for myself.

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

Ans. I have not raised any crops, used it for growing potatoes, have a good well, head of horses on land about 6000 bushels.

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

Ans. It is not.

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. Prairie land, most valuable for grazing.

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. There are no indication of coal or minerals.

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

Ans. I have made no other homestead entry.

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

Ans. I have not mortgaged sold any portion of land.

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. I have not.

Ques. 14.—Describe by legal subdivisions, or by number, kind of entry, and office where made, any other entry or filing (not mineral) made by you since August 30, 1890.

Ans. I have made no other entry since August 30, 1890.

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Clinton B Mills

* (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 (two-year) homestead cases.)