

(4-369.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Enos J. Barfoot, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Herman Shyburn for Section 2, T. 19, R. 57, testifies as follows:

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

Answer Enos J. Barfoot 34 yrs. P.O. Harrisburg Neb.

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

Ans. I am

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

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

Ans. Grazing land

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?

Ans. He established actual residence, April 1st 1889.

Ques. 6.—Have claimant and family resided continuously on the homestead since first establishing residence thereon? (If settler is unmarried, state the fact.)

Ans. He is unmarried, he has resided on the place continuously, except he was away at five different times

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. He was absent at five different times temporarily at work at farm one to five mo

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon?

Ans. He has 20 acres in cultivation and has raised 7 crops thereon

Ques. 9.—What improvements are on the land and what is their value?

Ans. Log house 18x20 ft Barn 18x20 ft 400 corn in cultivation & value improvements at \$250

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. None

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?

Ans. not 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 have no interest in the place, yes I think settler has acted in entire good faith in perfecting this entry

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Enos J. Barfoot

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 12 day of October 1895 at my office at Harrisburg, in Banner County, Nebraska

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

A. H. Dimmick
County Judge

(The testimony of witnesses must be taken at the same time and place, and before the same officer as claimant's usual 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.)