

(4-536.)

Land Office at North Platte Neb  
Dec 27<sup>th</sup> 1886

2.00

Mr. Lerome S. Rice has this day paid two dollars, the Register's and Receiver's fees, to file a Declaratory Statement, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged.

Oliver Shannon  
Receiver.

2.00

Mr. Lerome S. Rice having paid the fees, has this day filed in this Office his Declaratory Statement, No. 8143 for 100 section 20 township 20, of range 57, containing 100 acres, settled upon Dec. 18, 1856, being unoffered.

Under the provisions of the Pre-emption Laws, the time within which final proof is required to be made on unoffered lands expires in thirty-three months from date of settlement, or from date of filing of township plat in District Land Office in case of settlement on unsurveyed lands, and on offered lands in twelve months from date of settlement; and under act of March 3, 1879, notice of intention to prove up must be given by publication in a newspaper, to be designated by the Register, for a period of thirty days, or in five consecutive issues of said paper, which notice must also contain the names of the witnesses by whom the necessary facts will be established.

Notice is therefore, hereby given that this pre-emption filing expires on Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1887 after which date the tract will be subject to the claim of any other qualified party.

Very respectfully,  
W. Merrill  
Register.

See note in red ink, which Registers and Receivers will read and EXPLAIN THOROUGHLY to persons making applications for lands when the affidavit is made before either of them.

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