

(4-369.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Daniel A White being called as a witness in his own behalf in support of homestead entry, No. 1218, for SE 1/4 Sec 15, T. 19, R. 57 testifies as follows:

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

Ans. Daniel A White, age 37 years old P.O. address
Harrisburg, Neb.

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 Illinois

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made homestead entry, No. 1218, at the Sidney land office on the 12th day of October, 1888, and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. I am the identical person who made said entry
The land is South East Quarter Sec. 15, T. 19, Range 57 W.

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. Have built in April 1889. Established actual residence
therein on April 10th or 11th 1889. House log 14x16
Sid. log Stab. Well of water, various improvements to \$865.

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. Unmarried man. I have resided on said land
and held it as my only home continuously ever since I first
moved on the same.

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 been absent temporarily a few times
but at no time to exceed 4 months. I reside on said
land now and have since the first day I lived in my house

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

Ans. Have cultivated about 20 acres, and have raised a crop
thereon each season for 5 years.

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

Ans. No 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, 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. No indications of coal salines or minerals

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

Ans. I have never made homestead entry before

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 sold mortgaged or conveyed to any person

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.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the claimant before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this Ninth day of January, 1894.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

* (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 (see page) homestead cases.)