

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Charles C. Nelson being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Arthur S. Williams for NE. 1/4 NW. 1/4 SE. 1/4 NW. 1/4 SW. 1/4 NE. 1/4 Sec. 27 Tp. 21 N. R. 57. Testifies as follows:

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

Ans. Charles C. Nelson, age 34 years, Hull, Nebraska.

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

Ans. I am well acquainted with claimant and land in his claim.

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? Said tract is not in limit of town or selected site of city or town crused for trade or business.

Ans. site of city or town crused for trade or business.

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

Ans. It is ordinary grazing land.

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

Ans. Claimant settled on the homestead and established his actual residence thereon during the month of May, 1893.

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

Ans. Claimant and family have resided continuously on the homestead since establishing his residence thereon.

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. The settler has only been absent from the land to transact the common business of a farmer.

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

Ans. Settler has cultivated a garden each season since making settlement.

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

Ans. Log house about 16x24 Log barn 16x60, a spring well, and three large corrals, logs. Value of improvements \$500.00

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. There are no indications of coal, salines or minerals on the homestead.

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

Ans. Claimant has not sold mortgaged or contracted to sell any portion of the homestead.

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 am not interested in this claim and think the settler has acted in good faith in perfecting his entry.

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

*Charles C. Nelson*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed and was sworn to before me this 30th day of March, 1901, at my office at Gering in Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

*R. M. Stanton*  
Clerk of pistrict court.

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