

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

August Clendon, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of John B. Herity for 6 NW 1/4 Sec 14 & Sec 31, T. 18, R. 57, testifies as follows:

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

Answer. August Clendon, Age 54 yrs. 00. P.O. Warrington, 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. No.

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

Ans. Prairie farming & 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 thereon May 1<sup>st</sup> 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. They have except claimant has been absent himself at work.

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 3 different times at from 1 to 4 months at a time temporarily at work his family was never absent.

Ques. 8.—How much of the homestead has the settler cultivated and for how many seasons did he raise crops thereon? He has raised 7 crops on the place, from 12 to 45-

Ans. Acres each season.

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

Ans. Log house 18x24 ft. Wagon 12x14 ft. Log barn 14x30 ft. Shed 24x50 ft. Grain and other out houses 2 wells, mill, pump, 125 acres under fence 45 acres under cultivation & value of improvements as 1888.

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 claim, yet settler has acted in good faith in perfecting this entry.

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

August Clendon

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 16 day of September, 1895, at my office at Harrisonburg, in Douglas County, Nebraska

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

A. H. Dunsavage  
County Judge

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