

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Charles Nelson, being called as a witness in his own behalf in support of homestead entry, No. 11561, for S⁶ Sec 5 T⁴ R. 57 testifies as follows:

Ques. 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?
 Ans. Charles Nelson age 26. Worthington 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. Am a Native Born Citizen of the U.S. was born in Michigan

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made homestead entry, No. 11561, at the North Platte land office on the 12th day of October 1887 and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?
 Ans. I am the identical person who made said entry which is on S⁶ Sec 5 T⁴ R. 57

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. House was built in April of 1887 in said month of House frame 20 x 26. Log stable 14 x 20 water claim a fence and well. Value \$300

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. Family consists of wife and two children and have been on the claim all the time except about 4 months in 1887

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. Have been on the claim all the time except about 4 months in 1887.

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 25 acres for five seasons

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. It is not in the limit of any incorporated city or town (any way for trade or business)

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. It is ordinary prairie land.

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. There are no indications of coal saline or minerals of any kind.

Ques. 11.—Have you ever made any other homestead entry? (If so, describe the same.)
 Ans. There never made any other homestead entry

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 conveyed or mortgaged any of said land.

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 no property any where except on this claim

Charles C Nelson

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the claimant before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 6th day of June 1892.

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.] J. H. Mackey
Notary Public Neb.

* (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 (five year) homestead cases.)

See Final Affidavit for date of settlement & residence