

(4-369.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

James H. Calderwood, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of John Leno for 6 1/2 W 4 S 3 & 4 sec 30, ^{24, 20 11 57} testifies as follows:

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

Answer: James H. Calderwood, 41, 39, Jerome, Dorrington Neb

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

Ans. Yes

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. It is not.

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 his residence on the claim about the 17th day of March 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. He is unmarried, he has resided continuously on the claim except about 2 mo.

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 about two months at one time

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

Ans. He has 15 acres in cultivation and has raised crops on the same each season.

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

Ans. Frame house, 14 by 20 ft. Stab 10, 24 ft. Well Corral all fenced, 15 acres in Cultivation & value improvements at \$500.

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. He has 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. Yes — no

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

James H. Calderwood

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 12 day of November 1894 at my office at

Harrisberry, in Banner County, Nebraska

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

A. H. Emery
County Clerk

(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.)