

Before The U. S. Land Office at  
Sidney Neb.

Benjamin F. Stone being first  
duly sworn upon Oath Says  
that on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1863 he made  
a Homestead filing No. 157  
4<sup>th</sup> or SE<sup>4</sup> Sec. 33, Tp. 9 N. R.  
11 East in Otoe County Neb. and  
at the Nebraska City U. S.  
Land Office. And that he  
resided on said Land for  
the period of about 30 days  
that Applicant at that time  
was poor & unable to reside  
on & cultivate & improve  
said Land, and he was  
compelled to abandon  
same, and that he did aban-  
don same, that he did not  
prave up on said Land &  
has not praved up on  
said Land & that he has  
not filed upon or made  
Homestead claim to any  
other tract under the laws of  
the U. S. <sup>and that he has not forfeited</sup> <sup>A</sup> And he asks to be  
allowed to make Homestead  
filing on the SW<sup>4</sup> Sec. 28<sup>th</sup> of  
N. R. 5<sup>th</sup> W. Benjamin F. Stone

Subscribed & Sworn to before

\* Vile to a Preemption Since the date of the act.  
of Congress of March 2<sup>d</sup> 1889.