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[To be used in making FINAL PROOF in cases where pre-emption filings have been changed to homestead entries under the Acts of March 3, 1877, and May 27, 1878.]

PRE-EMPTION HOMESTEAD AFFIDAVIT.

James A. Nelson having changed my pre-emption
declaratory statement No. 723, filed the 2 day
of October, 1888 alleging settlement the 29
day of September, 1888 for the North East Quarter

section No. 17, in township No. 20, of range No. 57, to homestead
entry original No. 2420, district of lands subject to entry at Lidney
Land Office under the Acts of Congress approved March 3, 1877, and May
27, 1878, do solemnly swear that I have never had the benefit of any right of pre-emption
under section 2259 of the Revised Statutes of the United States; that I have not heretofore
filed a pre-emption declaratory statement for another tract of land; that I was not the
owner of three hundred and twenty acres of land in any State or Territory of the United
States at any time during the above mentioned period of settlement under the pre-emption
statutes; that I did not remove from my own land within the State of
Nebraska, to make the settlement above referred to; nor have I settled upon and
improved said land to sell the same on speculation, but in good faith to appropriate it to
my exclusive use or benefit; and that I did not, during the period of pre-emption settle-
ment above mentioned, directly or indirectly, make any agreement or contract, in any way
or manner, with any person or persons whatsoever, by which the title which I might acquire
from the Government of the United States would inure, in whole or in part, to the benefit
of any person except myself.

James A. Nelson

I, Wm. H. Hulbert, M.S., Clerk of the Land Office
of Nebraska, do hereby certify that the above affidavit was subscribed
and sworn to before me this 8th day of June, 1888

Wm. H. Hulbert, M.S.
Clerk of the Land Office