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HOMESTEAD AFFIDAVIT

Under Section 2294, Revised Statutes, for settlers who cannot appear at the District Land Office.

Office of the Clerk of the Court,

For Barnes County,

May 26 1880

I, Sylvester M. Deeter of Barnes/Barnes Co. Nebraska,

having filed my Homestead application No. 2283, do solemnly swear that I am Single over twenty one years of age, and a native born citizen of the United States America - Single -

that said application No. 2283 is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, that said entry is made for my exclusive use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; that I am

now residing on the land I desire to enter, and that I have made a *bona fide* improvement and settlement thereon; that said settlement was commenced January 3, 1880

that my improvements consist of Sod House 16x19 ft. Log Stable 12x14 ft. Two acres broken

and that the value of the same is \$ 200.00, that owing to Great distance

I am unable to appear at the District Land Office to make this affidavit, and that I have never before made a homestead entry except.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26 day of May 1880.
Sylvester M. Deeter
J. E. Logan,
 Clerk of the Court for Barnes
County, Nebraska

NOTE.—The claimant must fill up the blank places above, showing whether he is the head of a family or over twenty-one years of age; whether a native citizen or has declared his intention to become a citizen; whether he and his family, or some member thereof is residing on the land, giving the date of actual settlement, describing the dwelling-house and improvements, and stating the value of the same, and stating reason for not appearing at the District Land Office. If claimant ever before made a homestead entry, describe the same; if not, draw a line over the word "except."