

(4-369.)

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Andrew Bolin, being called as witness in support of the Homestead entry of Alfred H. Kimberley for NW 1/4 Sec 17, T. 4, R. 37, testifies as follows:

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

Answer. Andrew Bolin 44, P.O. Darlington 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 land best adapted for grazing

Ques. 5.—When did claimant settle upon the homestead and at what date did he establish actual residence thereon?

Ans. He settled and built his house in August 1887, established his actual residence in October 1887.

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 has resided continuously on the homestead

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. Claimant may have been temporarily absent at times for about 3 months, but they have resided and cultivated the land such as usual.

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

Ans. About 5 acres in cultivation, has planted crop, such as sugar corn 6 years, he uses the place for grazing for which it is most valuable.

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

Ans. Log house, Stable, Corn, and all the tract under fence. I value the 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. No indications of coal, salines, or minerals

Ques. 11.—Has the claimant mortgaged, sold, or contracted to sell, any portion of said homestead?

Ans. He has not

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. I have no interest in the claim and I think the settler has acted in good faith in perfecting this entry.

Andrew Bolin

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing testimony was read to the witness before being subscribed, and was sworn to before me this 29 day of January, 1894

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.]

J. M. Kimberly
County Judge

(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.)