

HOMESTEAD PROOF—TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Alfred H. Kimberley, being called as a witness in his own behalf in support of homestead entry, No. 12757, for NW 4 of sec 17 T4 R 57 testifies as follows:

Ques. 1.—What is your name, age, and post-office address?
 Ans. Alfred H. Kimberley Age 28 years, P.O. Harrington Mo

Ques. 2.—Are you a native born citizen of the United States, and if so, in what State or Territory were you born? *
 Ans. I am a native born citizen of the United States was born in the State of Iowa

Ques. 3.—Are you the identical person who made homestead entry, No. 12757, at the Nazap Platte land office on the 26 day of April 1887, and what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. I am the identical person who made said entry The North West Quarter Sec. 17 Township 19 Range 57

Ques. 4.—When was your house built on the land and when did you establish actual residence therein? (Describe said house and other improvements which you have placed on the land, giving total value thereof.)

Ans. I built my house in August 1887 and established my actual residence there in about the 1st of October 1887 House log and stable, 2 corch, attorney fence, well and 2nd house I value the improvements at \$350.

Ques. 5.—Of whom does your family consist; and have you and your family resided continuously on the land since first establishing residence thereon? (If unmarried, state the fact.)

Ans. Myself and wife. We have resided continuously on the land, except 3 months I was absent

Ques. 6.—For what period or periods have you been absent from the homestead since making settlement, and for what purpose; and if temporarily absent, did your family reside upon and cultivate the land during such absence?

Ans. I was temporarily absent three months one time, since establishing my residence, all the rest of the time we have resided continuously on the land

Ques. 7.—How much of the land have you cultivated each season and for how many seasons have you raised crops thereon? I have plowed 4000 in cultivation, have planted in such crops for 4 years the same in year 8 or 9000 and prepared 3 times since the whole wood for pasture land.

Ques. 8.—Is your present claim within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade and business?

Ans. It is not

Ques. 9.—What is the character of the land? Is it timber, mountainous, prairie, grazing, or ordinary agricultural land? State its kind and quality, and for what purpose it is most valuable.

Ans. Prairie land most valuable for grazing purpose

Ques. 10.—Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals, of any kind, on the land? (If so, describe what they are, and state whether the land is more valuable for agricultural than for mineral purposes.)

Ans. no indication of coal salines or minerals

Ques. 11.—Have you ever made any other homestead entry? (If so, describe the same.)

Ans. I have not

Ques. 12.—Have you sold, conveyed, or mortgaged any portion of the land; and if so, to whom and for what purpose?

Ans. I have not

Ques. 13.—Have you any personal property of any kind elsewhere than on this claim? (If so, describe the same, and state where the same is kept.)

Ans. I have no personal property elsewhere

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

[SEE NOTE ON FOURTH PAGE.] Alfred H. Kimberley
Minerals to Mark. Alfred H. Kimberley
County Judge

* In case the party is of foreign birth a certified transcript from the court records of his declaration of intention to become a citizen, or of his naturalization, or a copy thereof, certified by the officer taking this proof, must be filed with the case. Evidence of naturalization is only required in final (five year) homestead cases.