

tion; the money cannot be paid portions at a time; locations may be made any where, save on the Government, or Indian reserves, or on certain tracts, which, by Law, are exempted from the operations of the Pre-emption Act; the individual must be an inhabitant of the tract, and, in person, have made a settlement, and erected a dwelling thereon; within three months after it has been surveyed by the United States, it must be duly entered at the Registry office of the District within which it is located.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has prescribed the subjoined form, for the information of those who desire to avail of the right to secure land under the pre-emption law. This form of declaration may be written or printed, must be signed by the applicant, in presence of a witness, who must certify to it by his signature, and it must then be delivered at or transmitted to the Office of the Territorial Surveyor General. No variation must be made in the form, which is as follows, viz:

DECLARATORY STATEMENT FOR CASES WHERE THE LAND IS NOT SUBJECT TO PRIVATE ENTRY.

I, —, of — being — have, on the — day of —, A. D. 18—, settled and improved the —quarter of section number —, in township number —, of range number —, in the district of lands subject to sale at the land office at —, and containing — acres, which land *has not yet been offered at public sale, and thus rendered subject to private entry*; and I do hereby declare my intention to claim the said tract of land as a pre-emption right, under the provisions of said act of 4th. September, 1841.

Given under my hand, this — day of —, A. D. 18—.

In presence of —.

A. B.

C. D.

When the above declaration is filed, there will be issued from the Surveyor General's Office, a Certificate similar to the subjoined; viz:

No. — SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, K. T.  
—, 185—.

I certify that — has this day filed in my office a notice in accordance with the 12th. section of the Act establishing the Office of the Surveyor General of Kansas and Nebraska, and granting pre-emption rights to actual settlers for the — quarter of section number — in township number — in range number — east of the 6th. Principal Meridian in — Territory.

— Surveyor General of Kansas and Nebraska.