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DECEPTION OF PERCENTAGE

The candidate for vice president on the democratic ticket gave his friends a text, from which to discourse during the coming campaign when he uses these words:

"Our republican friends are prone to refer to the great commercial growth of the country under their rule, and yet the census reports show that from 1850 to 1860, under democratic rule and the walker tariff, the percentage of increase was greater in population, wealth, manufactures and railroad mileage than in any decade since."

The impression which Senator Davis evidently desired to make upon his hearers and readers was that in the decade mentioned the growth of the country was greater in population, wealth, manufactures and railroad mileage than in any ten years since, and by ardently using the term "greater percentage" in connection with the census reports he evidently hoped the public would conclude that the official figures bore evidence that sustained his assumption that greater growth in all the factors of wealth did take place in the decade between 1850 and 1860 than in any other ten years since. Senator Davis knew the official figures would not bear out the impression he sought to make, but he was cunning enough to use the term "percentage" as a pathway of escape, if called to account.

Per cent is a safe measure of actual increment when the basis of calculation is fixed To illustrate, had some one of Senator Davis' hearers asked him to state during what year in the history of the world did the human race increase with the greatest percentage, he would have been obliged to say the first year after the marriage of Adam and Eve. For prior to the birth of Cain there were but two human beings on earth When he came there were three, making an increase of 50 per cent, a percentage of growth of population that has never been equalled since and cannot be until the basis is but two.

When the immigration to Oregon in the fall of 1843 reached the Willamette Valley it increased the whole population (at that time about 250 persons) by 1000. This made an increase of 400 per cent The incoming of a thousand immigrants into Oregon today when the population is 500,000 people, would only be one-fifth of one per cent To make an increase to our present population equivalent to 400 per cent two million people would have to come to Oregon, but when there were but 250 persons in Oregon the addition of 1000 raised the population 400 per cent. According to Senator Davis' jockeying with percentage more people came to Oregon in 1843 than in any other year because the percentage of increase in that year was the largest in its history.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, at La Grande, Or., May 14, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Mary B Murphy, of Perry, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No 192, for the purchase of the W½ NW¼ and N½ S W¼ of Section No. 5 in Township No 4 S, R No. 38 E. W. M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 1st day of August, 1904.

She names as witnesses: A. J. Bean, Phoebe Bullis, John J. Murphy, and Ralph H. Bullis, all of Perry, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 1st day of August, 1904.

E. W. Davis, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Oregon. May. 14, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory, as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Hezekiah C Cotner, of La Grande, County of Union, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No 3094, for the purchase of the SE¼ SW¼ Sec. 21, and S½ NW¼ and SW¼ NW¼ of Section 28, Tp No 4 S, Range No 38, E W M.

And will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Thursday, the 4th day August 1904.

He names as witnesses: Jack McCarty Elmer Saling, John Smith, and Frank Harris, all of La Grande, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 4th day of August, 1904.

E. W. Davis, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Oregon May 14, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Maggie Synhorst of La Grande, county of Union, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 3099, for the purchase of the [illegible] SE¼ & E½ SW¼ of Section No. [illegible] in Township No. 4 S, Range No. 38 E W.M.

And will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of August, 1904.

She names as witnesses: George B. Harmon, Strong P. Gates, John J. Peebler, and Henry V. Peebler, all of La Grande, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 2nd day of August, 1904.

E. W. Davis, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
U. S Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, July 5, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S Land Office, at La Grande, Oregon, on August 15, 1904. viz. H. E. No 3293 Abraham Lais, of La Grande, Oregon, for the S. E. ¼ sec. 12, Tp 2 S R 38 E. W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

John B. Cases, of Hilgard, Oregon; Charles Eade, Louis Palmer, & Richard B. Hamilton, of La Grande, Oregon.

E. W. Davis Register

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
(Isolated Tract)
PUBLIC LANDS SALE.

Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land office, under authority vested in him by section 2455 U. S. Revised Statutes, as amended by the act of Congress approved February 26, 1895, we will proceed to offer at public sale, at ten o'clock a. m. on the 23rd day of August 1904, at this office, the following tract and lands:

W½ SW¼ sec 2 Tp 8 S R 5 E. W. M.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day above designated for the commencement of said sale, otherwise their rights will be forfeited. Dated June 25 1904.

E. W. Davis Register.
A. H. Roberts, Receiver.

Peaches

I wish to say to my friends and the public that I have a large crop of peaches this year. Our early Peaches will be ripe in about a week or 10 days from this time and I can sell you a more juicy better flavored peach and cheaper than you can buy them elsewhere they have been shipped in from other parts. Then when you pay 1 to 20 lbs you get 20 lbs good pound measure.

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Notice to Contractors

Sealed bids will be received until 2 o'clock P M Saturday August 6—1904 for the construction of a two story frame residence building according to plans and specifications which may be seen at the residence of Mrs Z Patty, or at the residence of C R Thornton, Architect, La Grande, Oregon at which latter place bids will be opened bidders invited to be present. The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Mrs Z Patty.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given, that the copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of McCoy & McFarlane, in the grocery business, at La Grande, has been dissolved by mutual agreement. The business will be continued by William McFarlane. Dated, August 12, 1904.

James McCoy
W. McFarlane

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Or., May 14, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Phoebe Bullis of Perry, County of Union, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement, No. 3100, for the purchase of the S½ S W¼ Section 28 and S½ S E¼ of Section No. 27, in Township No 4 S, R. No. 38 E.W.M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 1st day of august, 1904.

She names as witnesses: A. J. Bean, John J. Murphy, Ralph H. Bullis, and Mary B. Murphy, all of Perry, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 1st day of August, 1904.

E. W. Davis, Register.

Fire Proof Safe

For sale wt. 2500 price $90. Call or write La Grande Pawnbroker, Phone 1581.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior.
Land Office at La Grande, Oregon.
June 25, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S Land Office, at La Grande, Oregon, on August 4, 1904. viz. H. E. No 3002, Margaretha Stutzinger, La Grande Oregon, widow of John Stutzinger, deceased, for the E½ NE¼ & E½ SE¼ Sec. 12, Tp 2 S., R. 37 E. W. M.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Frank Bennett, Martin Keller, Conart Stroeber, Minard Kaitlin all of La Grande Oregon.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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