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LAND FOR DESERVING INDIANS.

"That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he hereby is, authorized, under the direction of the President, to allot any Indian on public domain who has not heretofore received an allotment, in such areas as he may deem proper, not to exceed, however, eighty acres of agricultural or 160 acres of grazing land to any one Indian, such allotment to be made and patent therefor issued in accordance with the provisions of the act of February 8, 1887. (24 Stat. L. 388)"

The above amendment was made and incorporated into the present Indian Appropriation Bill and is now a law. Under its provision any deserving Indian can secure a farm from Uncle Sam's domain the same as a white man, excepting he does not have to live five years thereon as does the white man before it is his, nor does he have filing fees, etc., to pay. Surely our Indians ought to be grateful for the special privileges accorded them.

LOCALS

The Oregon Electric Railway will soon put on several additional trains. Among them one starting from Salem and an-

other from Portland at 11:00 P. M., after the theatre. This will be good news to those of our people who enjoy an evening's outing.

Chemawa is certainly looking out after the interests of the Pacific Coast as this week we shipped large quantities of roses to the cities of Portland, Seattle, and San Diego.

We were surprised yesterday about one o'clock on glancing out of the window to see a snow squall which lasted for half an hour. We certainly are having peculiar Oregon weather this year.

A telegram has been received that a party of pupils will arrive tomorrow noon from the Flathead Reservation in Montana, while several pupils are coming tomorrow or Monday from various parts of Oregon, and numerous requests have been made from Warm Springs Reservation for enrollment at Chemawa.

The work on the Domestic Science building is being rapidly pushed. The carpenters, steam-fitters and plumbers are all hard at work getting ready for the plasterers. If everything goes right, about the middle of April we will have this fine building for domestic science purposes—a long felt want at Chemawa will be supplied.

Mr. Westley and his boys are today starting their spring grafting. The first work that they did was to graft some tree roses for Mr. Campbell. They will follow this up by grafting a couple of thousand cherry trees in addition to about that many prune and apple trees. The boys of this department get very practical work and are to be congratulated that they have such a man as Mr. Westley to instruct them.