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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, the following named persons have filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

James H. Heath, of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, has on Oct. 21, 1892, filed in this office his sworn statement No. 141, for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 21, T. 14 N., R. 14 W., 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 J. J. Smith, County Clerk, at Prineville, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 15th day of March, 1903. He names as witnesses: Byron Cady, Fred Higgins, Charles Erickson and J. P. Taylor, all of Prineville, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the said 15th day of March, 1903. JAY P. LUCAS, Register.

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Margaret E. Powell, of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, has on Sept. 27, 1892, filed for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 21, T. 14 N., R. 14 W.

Nancy E. Zoll, of Prineville, county of Crook, state of Oregon, has on Sept. 27, 1892, filed for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 21, T. 14 N., R. 14 W.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claims to said land before J. J. Smith, County Clerk, at Prineville, Oregon, on Saturday, the 7th day of March, 1903.

They name as witnesses: J. H. Thompson, James Frank, M. D. and John D. LaFollette, all of Prineville, Oregon.

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Daniel W. Lane, of Minneapolis, county of Hennepin, state of Minnesota, has on July 21, 1892, filed for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 21, T. 12 N., R. 10 W.

Ha Krogh, of Spokane, county of Spokane, state of Washington, sworn statement No. 953, filed July 21, 1892, for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 12, T. 18 N., R. 10 W.

Guistav A. Rosen, of Spokane, county of Spokane, state of Washington, sworn statement No. 954, filed July 21, 1892, for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 12, T. 18 N., R. 10 W.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish their claims to said land before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on Monday, the 15th day of April, 1903.

They name as witnesses: F. J. Leonard, of Portland, Oregon; W. Smith, of Portland, Oregon; John Ross of Bend, Oregon; J. H. Lane of Minneapolis, Minn.; Charles A. Potter of Portland, Wash.; and Homer B. Wigton, John Taylor, Gustav A. Rosen and Ha Krogh, of Spokane, Wash.

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Desert Land, Final Proof. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon.

Notice is hereby given that JAMES S. MCMEN, of Haystack, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 81, for the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 21, T. 12 N., R. 14 W., before W. A. Bell, U. S. Commissioner, at Prineville, Oregon, on Thursday, the 12th day of March, 1903.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: C. F. Smith and Mrs. E. F. McMen, of Laneville, Oregon; William Barber, of Haystack, Oregon; and Andrew Morrow of Orisley, Oregon. 6-6-012

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Frank L. Bramble, of Waterbury, county of Washington, state of South Dakota, sworn statement No. 141, filed Oct. 20, 1892, for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 28, T. 19 N., R. 12 W.

Maymie Harris, of Wheaton, county of Travis, state of Missouri, sworn statement No. 142, filed Oct. 20, 1892, for the purchase of the ac or sq or sec or blk or lot or part of sec 12, T. 12 N., R. 10 W.

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They name as witnesses: J. J. West of St. Paul, Minn.; G. H. Beck of Tacoma, Wash.; I. E. Alling, John of Warm Springs, Oregon; Edwin Graham of Sisters, Oregon; James Maxwell of The Dalles, Oregon; and David Burton and Anthony H. Taylor of Wheaton, Minn.

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BY H. D. STRATTON, CHAPTER II.

Lorenzo D. Oatman has given to the author the following facts, reaching on to the moment when he was made senseless, and in that condition left by the Apache murderers.

"We were left to the severe alternative of starting with a meagre supply, which any considerable delay would exhaust ere we could reach a place of re-supply, or to stay among the apparently friendly Indians, who also were but poorly supplied at best to furnish us; and of whose real intentions it was impossible to form any reliable conclusion. The statement that I have since seen in the 'Ladies Repository,' made by a traveling correspondent who was at Pimole village at the time of writing, concerning the needless and absence of all plausible reason for the course resolved upon by my father, is incorrect. There were reasons for the tarrying of the Wilders and Kellys, that had no pertinency when considered in connection with the peculiarities of the condition of my father's family. The judgment of those who remained, approved of the course elected by my father.

"One of the many circumstances that conspired to spread a gloom over the way that was before us, was the jaded condition of our team, which by this time consisted of two yoke of cows and one yoke of oxen. My parents were in distress and perplexity for some time to determine the true course dictated by prudence, and their responsibility in the premises. One hundred and ninety miles of desert and mountain, each alike barren and verdurous, save now and then a diminutive gorge—water coursed and grass fringed, that miles apart led down from the high mountain ranges across the dreary road—stretched out between us and the next settlement or habitation of man. We felt, deeply felt, the hazardous character of our undertaking; and for a time lingered in painful suspense over the proposed adventure. We felt and feared, that a road stretching to such a distance, through an uninhabited and wild region, might be infested with the marauding bands of the Indians who were known to roam over the mountains that were piled up to the north of us; who, though they might be persuaded or intimidated, to spare us the fate of falling by their savage hands, yet might plunder us of all we had as means for life's subsistence. While in this dreadful suspense, one Dr. Lecount, attended by a Mexican guide, came into the Pimole village. He was on his return from a tour that had been pushed westward, almost to the Pacific ocean. As soon as we learned of his presence among us, father sought and obtained an immediate interview with him. And it was upon information gained from him, that the decision to proceed was finally made.

"He had passed the whole distance to Fort Yuma, and returned, all within the last few months, unharmed; and stated that he had not witnessed indications of even the neighborhood of Indians. Accordingly, on the 11th of March, finding provisions becoming scarce upon the Pimoles, and our own rapidly wasting—unattended, in a country and upon a road where the residence, or even the trace of our own nation would be sought in vain, save that of the hurrying traveler who was upon some official mission, or, as in the case of Dr. Lecount, some scientific pursuit requiring dispatch, we resumed our travel. Our teams were reduced; we were disappointed in being an abandoned by our fellow

travelers, and wearied, almost to exhaustion, by the long and fatiguing march that had conducted us to this point. We were lengthening out a toilsome journey for an object and destination quite foreign to the one that had pushed us upon the wild scheme at first. And this solitary commencement on our travel upon a devious way, dismal as it was in every aspect, seemed the only alternative that gave any promise of an extrication from the dark and frowning perils, and sufferings, that were every day threatening about us, and with every step of advancement into the increasing wildness pressing more and more heavily upon us.

Let the imagination of the reader awake, and dwell upon the probable feelings of those fond parents at this trying juncture of circumstances; and when it shall have drawn upon the resources that familiarity with the heart's deepest anguish may furnish, it will fail to paint them with any of that poignant accuracy that will bring him into stern sympathy with their condition.

Attended by a family—a family which, in the event of their being overtaken by any of the catastrophes that reason and prudence bade them beware of upon the route—must be helpless, if they did not, by their presence and peculiar exposure, give point and power to the time of danger;—a family, entirely dependent upon them for that daily bread of which they were liable to be left destitute at any moment; far from human abodes—the possibility that, far from the hand or means of relief, they might be set upon by the grim, ghastly demon of famine, or be made the victims of the bloodthirstiness and slow tortures of those human devils who, with savage ferocity, lurk for prey when least their presence is anticipated; and the faint prospect that at best there was, for accomplishing all that must be performed ere they could count upon safety; these, all these, and a thousand kindred considerations, crowded upon those lonely hours of travel, and furnished attendant reflections that burned through the whole being of these parents with the intensity of desperation. Oh! how many noble hearts have been turned out upon these dismal, death-marked by-ways that have as yet formed the only connection between the Atlantic and Pacific slopes, to be bleated and moan, and sigh, for weeks, and even months, suspended in painful uncertainty, between life and death at any moment. Ap prehensions for their own safety, or the safety of dependent ones, like ghosts infernal, haunted them at every step. Fear—fear worse than death, if possible—lest sickness, famine, or the sudden onslaught of merciless savages that infest the mountain fastnesses and prow and skulk through the numerous hiding places furnished by the wide sage fields and chaparral, might intercept a journey upon the first stages of which glowed the glitter and charm of novelty, and beamed the light of hope; but persisted in, through unforeseen and deepening gloom, as a last and severe alternative for self-preservation, oppressed their hearts.

Monuments! monuments, blood-written, of these uncounted miseries, that will survive the longest lived of those most recently escaped, are inscribed upon the bleached and bleaching bones of our common humanity and nationality; are written upon the rude graves of our countrymen and kin that striven these highways of death; written upon the mouldering timbers of decaying vehicles of transport; written in blood that now beats and pulsates in the veins of solitary and seathed survivors, as well as in the stain of kindred blood that still preserves its tale-telling, unbleached hue, upon scattered grass plots and Sahara sand mounds; written upon favored retreats, sought at the close of a dusty day's toil for nourishment, but suddenly turned into one of the unattended, unchronicled death-beds, already and before fre-

quenting these highways of carnage and wrecks; written, ah! too easily, deeply engraven, upon the tablet of memories, that keep alive the scenes of butcheries and captive making, that have rent and mangled whole households, and are now preserved to embitter the whole gloom-clad afterpart of the miraculously preserved survivors!

If there be an instance of one family having experienced trials, that, with peculiar pungency, may suggest a train of reflection like the above, that family is the one presented to the reader's notice in these pages. Seven of them have fallen under the extreme of the dark picture; two only live to tell herein the tale of their own narrow escape, and the agonies which marked the process by which it came.

"For six days," says one of these—"our course was due southwest, at a slow and patience-trying rate. We were pressing through many difficulties, with which our minds were so occupied that they could neither gather nor retain any distinct impression of the country over which this first week of our solitary travel bore us. While thus, on the seventh day from Pimole, we were struggling and battling with the tide of opposition, that with the increasing force of multiplying embarrassments and drawbacks, was setting in against us; our teams failing, and sometimes in the most difficult and dangerous places utterly refusing to proceed, we were overtaken by Dr. Lecount, who, with his Mexican guide, was on his way back to Fort Yuma. The Doctor saw our condition, and his large, generous heart poured upon us a flood of sympathy, which, with the words of good cheer he addressed us, was the only relief it was in his power to administer. Father sent by him, and at his own suggestion, to the Fort, for immediate assistance. This message the Doctor promised should be conveyed to the Fort, (we were about ninety miles distant from it at that time,) with all possible dispatch; also kindly assuring us that all within his power should be done to procure us help at once. We were all transiently elated with the prospect, thus suddenly opening upon us, of a relief from this source, and especially as we were confident that Dr. Lecount would be prompted to every office and work in our behalf, that he might command at the Fort, where he was well and favorably known. But soon a dark cloud threw its shadow upon all these hopes, and again our wretched troubles rolled upon us, with an augmented force. Our minds became anxious, and

our limbs were jaded. The roads had been made bad, at places almost impassable, by recent rains; and, for the first time, the strength and courage of my parents gave signs of exhaustion. It seemed, and indeed was thus spoken of amongst us, that the dark wing of some terrible calamity was spread over us, and casting the shadows of evil, ominously and thickly upon our path. The only method by which we could make the ascent of the frequent high hills that hedged our way, was by unloading the wagon and carrying the contents piece by piece to the top; and even then we were often compelled to aid a team of four cows and two oxen, to lift the empty wagon. It was well for us, perhaps, that there was not added to the burden of these long and weary hours, a knowledge of the mishap that had befallen the messenger gone on before. About sunset of the day after Dr. Lecount left us, he camped about thirty miles ahead of us, turned his horses into a small valley, hemmed in by high mountains, and with his guide slept until day-break. Just as the day was breaking, and preparations were being made to gather up for a ride to the Fort that day, twelve Indians suddenly emerged from behind a bluff hill near by, and entered the camp. Dr. Lecount, taken by surprise by the presence of these unexpected visitors, seized his arms, and with his guide, kept a close eye upon their movements, which he soon discovered were a very suspicious appearance. One of the Indians would draw the Doctor into a conversation—which they held in the Mexican tongue—during which others of the band would, with an air of carelessness, edge about, encircling the Doctor and his guide; until in a few moments, despite their friendly professions, their treacherous intentions were plainly revealed. At the suggestion of his bold, intrepid and experienced guide, they both sprang to one side, the guide presenting to the Indians his knife, and the Doctor his pistol. The Indians then put on the attitude of fight, but feared to strike.

(To be Continued.)

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