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PRELIMINARY WORK FOR THE ISTRIBIAN CANAL.

al. But when the tidewater pro- were computed. ject was abandoned and it was de- The projected canal from Colon man would have no claim against cided that a canal crossing the con- to Panama is 47 miles long, and the United States for the taking of tinental divide by means of locks for more than half its course it fol- such right of way. feet above the sea was the most river. Although the country is cular in a conspicuous place in your feasible plan of construction, it be- covered with heavy vegetation, the office and give the subject matter came of the utmost importance to slopes are so precipitous and the hereof such general publicity as determine whether the natural rock is so near the surface that may be possible. supply of the region in the form of violent tropical rainfalls lasting nearby streams would be sufficient only a few hours cause heavy and to provide the amount of water sudden floods. This is the feature necessary to operate the canal, which makes the study of the flow There will obviously be a constant of the lower Chagres of such imdrain on the waters of the summit portance. level with every vessel passing The rainfall, though copious, was through the locks, which will be so found to be peculiar on account of considerable that large quantities the striking difference in its of water must be secured to re- amount on the northern and plenish it. Careful estimates have southern sides of the isthmus, the good friend, Hadji Mohammed placed this amount necessary to mean yearly rainfall at Colon Wolomol Kiram, Sultan of Sulu, meet the losses from lockage, pow- being 130 inches, while that at because it is reported that he has er, leakage, and evaporation—the Panama less than 70 miles distant, been making roundups among his last being by no means an unim- was only 66.8 inches. portant factor in a tropical climate -at an amount equal to a constant flow of 1,070 cubic feet per

Such an investigation was carried on by the Isthmian Commission for a number of years under Mr. Arthur P. Davis, of the United States Geological Survey, as chief hydrographer, and included both the regions of the Nicaragua and magnitude and habit of the statement. Chagres river, from which it must The withdrawal of these lands is

times of freshet without injury to great to justify the undertaking loterest your neighbor in The Journal Address The Journal Box 121, Portland the canal or detention to its traffic; until the surveys and the irrigation or.

water; and fourth a knowledge of pleted. the rainfall of the region, on which the flow of the stream depends.

view in Paris of the records of August 30, 1890, (26 Stat., 391): The investigation of the water the engineers of the French Pana- hereafter taken- up under any supply for the Isthmian canal was ma Canal Companies, both first of the land laws of the United as important a factor in the selectand second, which though fairly States or on entries or claims valition of the route as the survey of complete, were found lacking in dated by this act, west of the one the physical features of the coun- respects to flood records. The next hundreth meridian, it shall be extry through which it must pass, step was to verify and extend these pressed that there is reserved from If the original intention of the observations. This was done by the lands in said patent described, French engineers to make the can-establishing gaging stations, where a right of way thereon for ditches al a tidewater canal had been car- careful measurements were made or canals constructed by the ried out, the water supply of the of the amount of flow by means of authority of the United States. country would not have been a current meters and float rods and Under this provision of the law, factor to be considered, except for by gages set in the stream to re-should a homestead entry embrace the embarassment occasionally cord its daily heights and fluctu- land that is needed in whole or in caused by extreme floods which ations, from which the maximum, part for a dam site, a reservoir, or might find their way into the can- minimum, and mean discharges a canal, the land would be taken

with a summit level of nearly 100 lows the valley of the Chagres You will post a copy of this cir-

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. GENERAL LAND OFFICE.
WASAINSTON, D. C., October 25, 1902, REGISTERS AND RECEIVERS.

United States land offices in Arizona, Callfornia Colorado, Idaho, Oregon Wasi

You are hereby directed, in adthe Panama routes. The results dition to the instructions containof this work are o much interest ed in office circular of September and will shortly appear in the 9, 1902, to call the especial attentiance paid the Sultan, to say noth-Twenty-second Annual Report of tion of all persons that have made, ing of maintaining the dignity of the United States Geological Sur- or are intending to make, home- the throne. The government should Acy, Part IV, which is now in stead entries on lands that have at once abrocate the cause of the press. From this comprehensive been, or may hereafter be, treaty prohibiting the segling of report it is seen that the feasibility temporarily withdrawn for irriga-slaves or else grant His Excellen of the Panama route rests upon the tion purposes, to the following ey an increase of salary.

draw its supply for the summit principally for the purpose of level, and from which its lower making surveys and irrigation inlevels will be in danger in times of vestigations in order to determine writes L. C. Overstreet, of Elgin, flood. To a less degree the Grande the feasibility of the plans of irri- Tenn, "to hear my wife cough until river, at the southern end of the gation and reclamation proposed; it seemed her weak and sore lungs line, is of similar importance.

Before the Panama route could be definitely recommended several lible; it will be impossible to decide important facts regarding the in advance of careful examination proposed, would collapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with Consumption that no medicine or careful examination important facts regarding the in advance of careful examination Dr. King's New Discovery and persis-Chagres river had to be determined. what lands may be watered, if any; tent use of this excellent medicine First the amount of its minimum the mere fact that surveys are in saved her life." It's absolutely guar flow, to find how little water might progress is no indication whatever acted for coughs and all throat and be expected at certain seasons to that the works will be built, and lung diseases. 50c and \$1.00 at Adamfeed the summit level; second, the this fact can not determine how son & Winnek Co. Trial bottles free. Columbia Southern magnitude of its, flood discharge, much water there may be availto show how much surplus water able, or what lands can be covered, daily newspaper, sight to 50 pages, 54 a would have to be disposed of in or whether the cost will be too year; 52 for six months. The Journal is a newspaper. Send in your subscription

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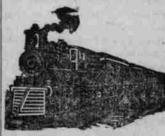


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