

SALES OF PUBLIC LANDS

Total Disposals in Oregon in the Year Ended June 30, 1899, Were 540,428.63 Acres.

BEST OF NEW SETTLERS LOCATE IN THIS STATE

Original Homestead Entries in the La Grande District Average 50 a Month—Oregon City Office Reports a Heavy Increase—Lands Containing Timber Are Eagerly Sought.

Total disposals of government land in Oregon, Washington and Idaho for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, were 1,355,712.83 acres.

Disposals of government land in Oregon last year were larger, with one exception, than those of any year since 1852.

Reports received from the principal land districts of Oregon disclose a healthy state of affairs.

Disposals of government land for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, will be larger than those of the year ended June 30, 1898.

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The Dalles District. Officials Receive Many Letters From Intending Settlers.

The fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, was one of the busiest in the history of The Dalles land office, since its establishment, January 11, 1875.

The office has also received an unusual number of inquiries from Eastern people about Oregon and the Northwest.

Big Business at Oregon City. Increase of 100 Per Cent for First Half of the Current Fiscal Year.

I send a summary of the business transacted at the Oregon City land office during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

From the foregoing, it is apparent that in our district during the year 1898-99, a month going upon unimproved lands, 25,306 acres were filed upon under the various land laws.

Our original homestead entries for the past six months have averaged about 50 per month. This showing is of itself as good as we could desire for our state, as it means 50 persons, or heads of families, a month going upon undeveloped tracts and making homes for themselves.

CENSUS OF OREGON

Enumeration of 1900 Should Show About 425,000 People.

INCREASE 35 PER CENT SINCE 1890

Mainemah County Now Has a Larger Population Than the Entire State Had in 1875.

The census of 1900 will, if well taken, give Oregon a population of about 425,000, an increase of 111,323, or 35 1/2 per cent, since 1890.

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DISPOSALS OF GOVERNMENT LAND IN OREGON

Tabulated statement showing, by land districts, disposals of government lands in Oregon for fifteen fiscal years ending June 30, 1899.

Table with columns for Year, The Dalles, Oregon City, La Grande, Lakeview, Burns, Total acres.

transacted in Oregon City district during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

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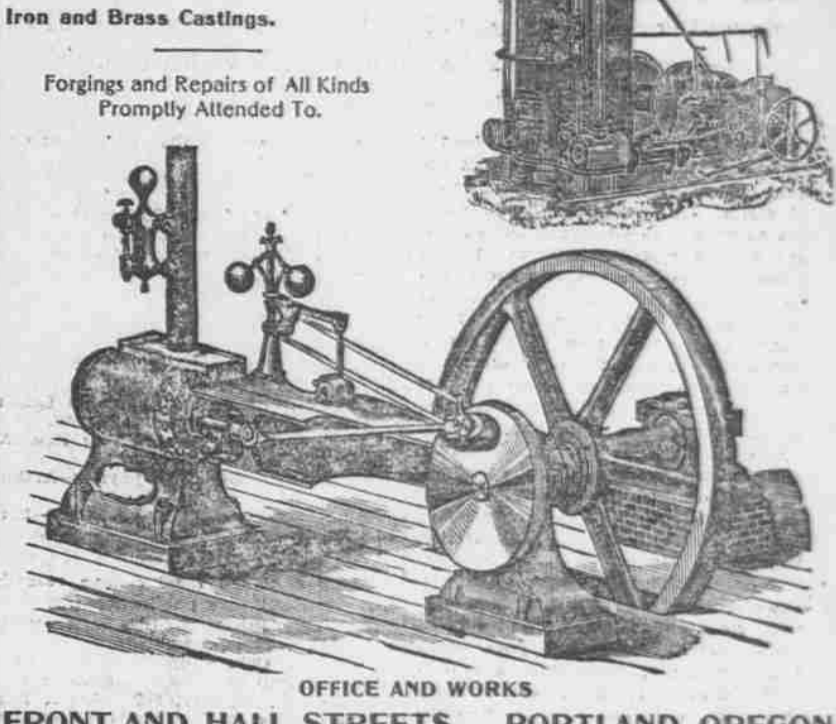
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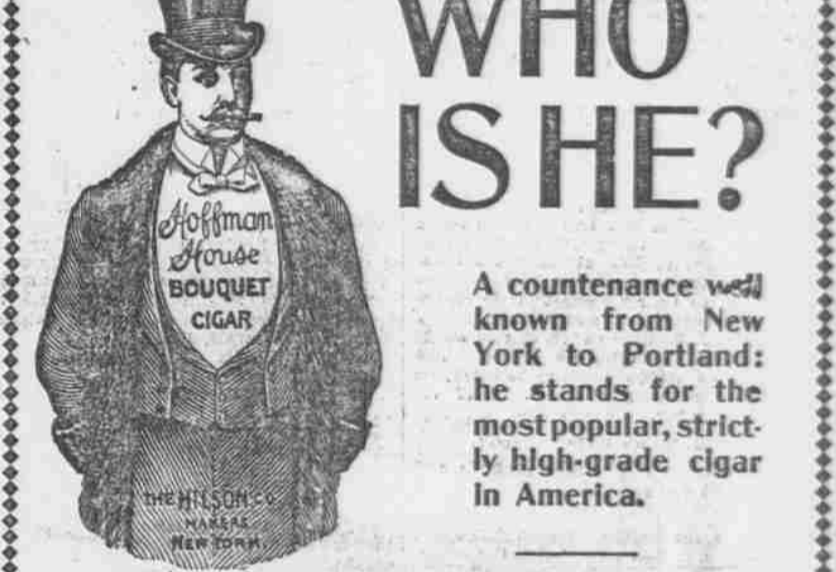
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