

SUCCESS ATTENDS LITTLELAND PLAN

San Diego Colony Shows How Good Living Can Be Made on Small Parcel.

ONE ACRE SUFFICIENT LAND

Objects Are to Force Every Foot of Ground to Yield Something, to Eliminate the Middleman and Aid Community Uplift.

What is the Littlelands movement? It is not communism or socialism, but simply a co-operative plan by which members of the colony bring their little parcels of land to the high state of cultivation, market the products by a system that eliminates the middleman and apply the profits accruing from the sale of land and water to the benefit of the settlers in building roads and making public improvements.

Expert Praises System. "If this system could be extended throughout our Western States, it would support 2,000,000,000 inhabitants in comfort without infringing on our forest and mineral resources."

The fact that the Littlelander has found it possible to support himself and his family upon one acre of land is less significant than that he has been able at the same time to secure for them contentment and happiness. His wife might not find happiness in sharing his work if it were not for the fact that the whole family may without great trouble or expense find diversion and relaxation in the nearby city.

Twenty Families Prosper. "There are at present in the San Ysidro Valley upward of 20 families who are living more comfortable lives and enjoying greater happiness than they had ever known before; in the past these men, among whom are mechanics, bookkeepers and cashiers, had had salaries averaging \$100 a month or more. The present state of independence, abundance and confidence as to the future is derived from one acre of land and a house which is much more comfortable and attractive than their former homes."

Co-operation is Keynote. "While the Littleland colony is in no sense communistic, co-operation is an important factor in its success. The profits accruing from the sale of land and water are devoted to the benefit of the settlers in general and are expended upon road and park improvements, lighting, school and library maintenance, etc. All such matters are discussed and voted upon at the regular Monday night weekly meetings, when women have an equal voice with the men in the decisions."

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BRIDGEPORT. The same things that can be said of Boston apply to PORTLAND. Is the center around which all investment activities will dizzily revolve, very soon. The psychological foundation for several real estate fortunes. Quarter acres now for \$2000. SEE US IMMEDIATELY. SLAUSON-CRAIG CO. 304 OAK ST.

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Mr. Smith last week purchased a block in Altamere, the growing suburb east of Mount Tabor, and already has begun the erection of two handsome five-room bungalows. In deciding on Altamere Mr. Smith took into consideration such advantages as car service, the price of real estate, and the desirability of the locality.

"I believe that there is no part of the city which offers a better opportunity to the business or professional man who wants a home," said Mr. Smith. "I look for Portland to rise as fast as it is rising, and the Panama Canal means more to this city than the people seem to realize, and the rush of new people to the Coast and Portland means a constant demand for homes. The people of the Eastern States appreciate what the Panama Canal will do for the Coast, and there will be thousands of investors and home-seekers come to Oregon within the next few years."

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