

THE OREGON SENTINEL.

SATURDAY MORNING, Dec. 16, 1871.

H. KELLY, ----- Editor.

The Swamp Land Laws.

We published in last week's issue, the acts of Congress which apply to Oregon, which we have so frequently cited in the discussion of the Oregon Act, which was conceived in sin and born in iniquity.

We have it from reliable sources that many of the members who took an active part in the passage of the bill, had prepared their notices and maps to grab the valuable portions of the swamp lands before the act received their votes; thus voting the people's land into their own hands, to the exclusion of the actual occupants and cultivators of the soil. A noted instance is recorded of two of the members from this county; both of them had their notices and maps made out, and prior to the signing of the bill by the Governor, one of them, after night, called on the Secretary of State to file his notices and maps, and was informed that the Act had not been received at the State Department. Being late at night, this member retired to his bed-room, thinking all was secure until the morning. Soon afterwards the Secretary of State received the Act with the signature of the Governor, and before the former had retired to bed the other honorable land-grabbing member from this county had filed his notice and maps on the very pieces of land which the former desired to enter. The other called early in the morning with this maps, the second time, and was coolly informed, "You are too late; your colleague has entered this part of the land." This is the way the land grabbing has continued, until the Board of Land Commissioners had to post the rules and regulations for their adjustment, which we published last week. Thus the night owl grabs 17500 acres of the best swamp land in the State. Thus the plodding night owl beats the vigilant keen eyed hawk. We protest against the steep owls beating the hawks. We protest against a law that forbids honesty among thieves. There should be another law passed to compel the owl to divide his ill gotten gains with the vigilant hawk.

But seriously, is it possible the occupant and cultivator of the soil can be turned out of house and home by such infamous acts as these? Can a member vote himself land, and grab it from his associate, and then turn the actual occupant of the land out, to make room for a would-be honorable member, without a dollar in his pocket, to speculate off of his own votes in the legislature and the improvements of the bold and hardy pioneer of the public swamp lands? Surely not. The people at the next election in Oregon should take this in their own hands, and see that no such speculators reach the next legislature. This is your remedy. This is your only remedy.

In the name of common honesty, we protest against members taking an active part in making a law for their own aggrandisement. We protest against any one depriving the settler of the soil, farm, house and home. We protest against any law which will compel the settler to buy his land from the speculator. We protest against giving any man an unlimited quantity of any kind of land.

We favor small tracts of land to all actual settlers and cultivators of the soil to the exclusion of all speculators.

If speculators get any part of the lands, let these be offered at public sale on which there is actual settlement, like the United States used to offer the public lands, and then each speculator will have an equal chance to bid its actual value. This is the only honest way to give each speculator a fair chance. This would give every member of the legislature an equal chance to spend his money equally with every other resident of Oregon. Give us this kind of a law or confine all sales to the actual settlers and actual cultivators of the soil. This was Jackson's recommendation in 1862. This was good democratic doctrine from 1820 to 1860. Now in these latter days, it is good democratic doctrine to oppose the homestead law; vote Northern Oregon to have land at \$1.25 per acre, and charge in Southern \$2 per acre; vote, in these degenerate days, to drive the actual settler from the land and give it to the first member who can make the first grab in the

day or night. We rejoice over the old time-honored principles of Democracy, and detest and abhor this grabbing, swindling Democracy, who sit up until a late hour of the night to beat their colleague grabbing the people's land. There should be some honesty among thieves; but this class of public robbers seem to be wanting in anything but greediness.

Mr. William M. Turner as a Telegrapher and as a Citizen.

In an issue of the Jacksonville Times, its supposed editor, Mr. James D. Fay, gives vent to his spleen in an unwarrantable and unfounded attack upon the agent of the Western Union Telegraph in this place. The Times endeavors to throw discredit on the public telegrams sent by that person, in relation to the Ralls-Fay affair, and reflects in an infamous manner on his business integrity. We desire to show the public that every telegram sent was true, and to teach Mr. James D. Fay that the day has passed when he can ride rough shod over this community or any member thereof. Charge number one is that the telegrapher sent a public dispatch last spring in relation to the shooting affray, that was false, inasmuch as Ralls did not accuse Fay of the seduction of his daughter. The only inaccuracy was that Ralls did not accuse him when he shot; but it makes no difference, Ralls did accuse him, the victim accused him, and has sworn to it in open court; and notwithstanding the action of the last Grand Jury, he stands so accused, at this hour, before the people of this county, whether he be guilty or not. Charge number two is that there was no applause when the Misses Ralls publicly cowdied Tribble. Right here we assert and can prove that the dispatch in relation to that affair was strictly true—that the act met with the emphatic approval of nineteen-twentieths of our citizens, and public sentiment has decided that if the lash had fallen on the principal in that social drama, instead of on a worthless tool, now held on a charge of perjury, the applause would have been measurably greater. Charge number three is that Mr. Turner did not telegraph the ignoring of the charge of seduction against Fay. This is true, and we blame him for it. He should have done so, and added that the public were in a frenzy of shame and indignation at the failure of justice; owing to the fact that the grand jury were instructed that it required two witnesses to procure an indictment; and that a vigilance committee was openly talked of—not whispered about—for the purpose of satisfying justice; had he done this, he would have done his whole duty. Charge number four is that there was no noticeable applause when Ralls was acquitted. It is false, there was applause, marked and emphatic, from a crowd of fifty or sixty persons, those who kept silent being only the attaches of the court, and so much so that the Judge's voice was nearly inaudible. The editor of the Times (the prosecuting witness) did not bear it, but to-day he feels it, and he knows that that telegram was strictly true. James D. Fay has not been treated unfairly, and on the contrary, he willfully suppresses the fact that the telegraph agent went out of his way last Spring and telegraphed his card of denial, when he was under no obligation to do so. We pronounce the whole tirade a groundless, infamous and useless attempt to rob a man of the means of supporting his family, by casting a slur on his business integrity. If James D. Fay has any charges to make against William M. Turner as a telegrapher, why does he not make them to the officers of the company, instead of through his now disreputable organ? Why? Because he knows that he could not sustain them. Because he knows that Mr. Turner enjoys the entire confidence of this community and of his employers, and that no business firm or respectable citizen in this place would ask for his removal. The Times is so kind as to call the telegrapher's attention to certain passages in the code. We are informed that the agent is quite familiar with them, and as legal business is dull, we would kindly ask its editor to familiarize himself with the following interesting paragraphs from the same volume, page 558, sec. 631.

"If any person, under promise of marriage, shall seduce and have illicit connection with any unmarried female of previous chaste character, such person, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary, not less than one, nor more than five years, or by imprisonment in the county jail, not less than three months, nor more than one year, or by fine not less than five hundred, nor more than one thousand dollars."

Page 550, sec. 609.

"Every person convicted of the crime of perjury, committed on the trial of, or proceedings in a criminal action for a crime punishable with death or imprisonment for life, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than five, nor more than twenty years. Every person convicted of the crime of perjury, committed in any proceeding in a court of justice, other than such criminal action, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary, not less than three, nor more than ten years, and every person convicted of the crime of perjury, committed otherwise than in a proceeding before a court of justice, or convicted of the crime of subornation of perjury, however committed, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary, not less than two, nor more than five years."

Now for Mr. Turner as a citizen. We know of only one man in Jackson county who makes any pretensions to purity, that is the editor of the Times. Mr. Turner makes none. Suppose his life prior to his coming among us had been idle and dissolute and abandoned. What of it? Suppose even that he had lain in the gutter. What of it? Every right-minded man or woman must admire the manhood and will of any man that raises him from degradation to the position of a useful and respected citizen. During a six years' residence among us, no one can point a finger to a stain on his character; and we honestly think that if he thought that nine-tenths of the people of this town and valley believed him guilty of an infamous crime, and desisted him for it, he would leave instantly, and not allow his name to be a stench in the public nostrils. Whatever Mr. Turner has done, there are some things he has not done. He has never lain drunk in the gutter of this town and shot, assassin like, at the friendly hand that would have raised him up; he has never crowded himself—armed—into a public assemblage, and waltzingly insulted one of the first ladies of the place; and he has never crossed the threshold of any man's home and left shame and sorrow and ruin behind him like the slime of a viper. Whatever he may have been the world takes him as it finds him—not as he was. There are few men who do not look back with regret to the errors of youth, but fewer that profit by the retrospect, and take a "new departure," as it is possible Mr. Turner has done; and although the doctrine is quite distasteful to his detractors, we advise him to try it. This controversy has been forced on us—we have not sought it; so let the Times do its worst, and in the language of its friend, Giles Wells, "lay on MacDuff."

A BASE CREATURE.—We are credibly informed by a gentleman of his city that the wretch who was last week whipped at Jacksonville by Miss Hannah Ralls, for slandering, several years ago arrested in Topeka county for horse-stealing, and only escaped the penitentiary by turning State's evidence against his companions in thievery. He is just the creature for so base a use as that to which he was put in Jacksonville.—States Rights Democrat.

OREGON REPRESENTED IN THE CABINET.—We are glad to announce that Hon. Geo. H. Williams, of this State, has been appointed Attorney General of the United States, vice Akerman, resigned, and that his confirmation by the Senate was unanimous.

NEW TO-DAY.

CHRISTMAS BALL.



AT HORNE'S HALL, Monday, Dec. 25th, 1871.

TICKETS, \$4.00

THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY announces that he will give a dance and supper on the evening of the above date. The Jacksonville String Band will furnish music, and no effort will be spared to make the occasion pleasant for the guests.

L. HORNE

Jacksonville, Dec. 16, 1871.

School Exhibition.

THE JUVENILES OF THE GERMAN Private School will give a public exhibition at Mr. Horne's Hall, on Monday next, the 18th day of December, 1871, commencing at 7 P. M. A hearty invitation extended to all lovers of Osgood.

Wm. Kautzsch

Jacksonville, Ogn., Dec. 16, 1871.

MARRIED.

STUCKLE—PERDUE.—At the residence of J. L. Deas, J. P., Mr. Stephen Stuckle, of Link River, to Miss Delila Perdun, of Douglas Co.

STANLEY—ROSS.—At the residence of the bride's father, Col. J. E. Ross, on the evening of December 13th, 1871, by Rev. J. H. Skidmore, Mr. W. J. Stanley to Miss Mary L. Ross.

The happy couple generously remembered this office, for which they have our thanks and the hope that they may have many years before them of happiness and prosperity.

NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Roseburg, Ogn., Nov. 14, 1871. COMPLAINT having been entered at this office by James Miller and Jeremiah Hickman against Eben B. Hill for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 715, dated Oct. 7th 1867, upon the N. W. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 and E. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 of Section 11, Township 36 S., Range 1 E., in Jackson County, Oregon, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 30th day of December, 1871, at 1 o'clock P. M., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

Nov 25-4w W. R. WILLIS, Register, B. HERMANN, Receiver.

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Ashland, Ogn., Dec. 9, '71-4f

NOTICE.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, Roseburg, Oregon, Nov. 22, 1871. COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED at this Office by M. Colwell and J. T. Ralmy against Franklin Vincent for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 1332, dated June 24, 1871, upon the E. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 and N. W. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 Sec. 17 and N. E. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 Sec. 18, Township 25 S., Range 1 West, in Jackson County, Oregon, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this Office on the 5th day of January, 1872, at 1 o'clock P. M., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

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Dec 2-4w

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October 1, 1870.

NOTICE TO MINERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned B. F. MYER, has been duly appointed, and bond approved.

U. S. Deputy Surveyor,

of Mineral Claims in and for Mining District, No. 1, the said district being defined in extent as in public notice issued from U. S. Surveyor General's Office for the District of Oregon, under date of Oct. 30, 1870.

All persons desirous of entering mineral claims in said district under the acts of Congress approved July 22, 1866 and amendatory act approved July 9, 1870, must have the same surveyed by authority.

Mineral claims may be entered that are situated on unsurveyed lands as well as on surveyed lands.

All communications addressed to me at Ashland Mills, Jackson Co., Oregon, will receive prompt attention, as I will give all assistance in my power to claimants wishing to avail themselves of the law authorizing the sale of mineral lands.

B. F. MYER,

U. S. Deputy Surveyor.

Dated at my Office, near Ashland Mills, Oregon, March 24, 1871-tf

J. B. WHITE. ALEX. MARTIN.

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Good syrup, just the thing for hot cakes,

You will eat so much your sides will ache.

Fine pickles, you may nip at by degrees,

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