

THE SENTINEL.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Nov. Term, 1872.

P. P. PHIM, Judge; JAS. R. NEIL, District Attorney; T. T. McKENZIE, Sheriff; P. DUNN, Clerk.

The following proceedings of the District Court for this county, for the term closing last week, were obtained by us too late for last issue.

Peter Boschee vs. Ed. Hendricks—Suit in equity; compromised.

Robert Alexander vs. T. Dippel and J. Green—Suit to dissolve partnership; settled by stipulation of parties.

Pernelia O'Neil vs. N. A. Young—Suit to quiet title. After hearing the argument of counsel the Court decided as follows: 1st. That the South half of Donation Claim No. 40, described in the complaint, is the property of Plaintiff.

2d. That the deed of L. J. C. Duncan, Sheriff, set out in the complaint, pretending to convey the whole of Donation Claim No. 40, only conveys the North half of said claim to Defendant.

3d. That the deed of F. O'Neil to L. O'Neil, and the deed of L. O'Neil to Pernelia O'Neil are void, upon the ground that they were made to defraud creditors.

4th. That A. Little and F. Westgate, partners, were creditors of F. O'Neil at the time of said fraudulent conveyance.

5th. That said deed of L. J. C. Duncan, Sheriff, to the Defendant was a conveyance of the North half of said Donation Claim, and the said fraudulent deeds of Felie O'Neil to Lewis O'Neil, and Lewis O'Neil to Plaintiff, operate as a cloud upon the title of Defendant to the said North half of said Claim.

It was therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said deed of L. J. C. Duncan, Sheriff, to Defendant, N. A. Young, dated June 14, 1866, by and is hereby annulled and declared void, as to the South half of Donation Claim No. 40, only.

The deeds of F. O'Neil to Pernelia O'Neil were also declared void; and that the parties each pay their own costs; and that Defendant surrender to Plaintiff, or her agent, the Patent from the United States to Felie O'Neil and Wife, for said Claim No. 40, as set upon the complaint.

E. C. Brooks vs. Wm. Williams, S. Roster and Fred. Otten—Suit for an injunction; continued.

State of Oregon vs. Ella Niday—Action at law to prevent usurpation of franchise; continued.

B. F. Myer vs. J. F. Durkee and A. C. Abbott—Suit for an injunction; injunction allowed.

S. P. Kinsely vs. O. C. Logan—Action at law to recover money; continued, under advisement, until next term of Court.

A. W. Jones vs. Caro & Baum—Action at law for breach of contract; continued till next term.

Jackson County vs. H. K. Hanna—Suit in chancery, to recover money paid by mistake; continued.

James Hamilton vs. Jacob Wimer and George Wimer—Action at law, to recover money; continued.

J. R. Neil, District Attorney, vs. G. Wells, Jr., et al.—Suit to recover money; continued for service.

White & Martin vs. Lynch & Miller—Suit to recover money; judgment by confession.

Cultivation of Alfalfa.
The kind of soil that alfalfa naturally does best on, on this coast, is a light or sandy soil, where the roots can find water within seven to fifteen feet. On heavy soils, which crack during dry weather, and where roots cannot easily penetrate the subsoil, or where the subsoil is cold and stiff and stagnant, alfalfa will not do well unless the surface is kept constantly moist by irrigation.

By a system of constant irrigation on such soils the roots do not run deeply but become habituated to depend upon surface moisture, and if the surface is not allowed to become dry it will not crack and the alfalfa will flourish about as well as on soil naturally adapted to it. On soils where it is adapted, it is about the most valuable crop that can be grown, when stock is also raised in connection with its culture, to consume it. It may be produced on the same soil for any number of years without impoverishing it, as the roots penetrate so deeply and draw so much of the earthy salts required in its growth from the lower soils. No farmer who has a piece of land that will readily produce it can afford to be without a field of alfalfa, as it will afford a green pasture at the very season when everything else is dry, besides yielding as much or more hay than any other grass that is known. It is sown in the fall, so as to get a good start with the first rains, and before the heavy frosts come on, it will do just as well as when sown in the spring after the heavy frosts are over. Those who have tried it sown with grain, and alone by itself, prefer the latter way. The land may be thinly plowed, but the harrowing should be finely and thoroughly done. Then sow 15 or 20 pounds to the acre and roll with a light roller. Allow no stock to molest it until it is in blossom. Should gophers trouble it, make a war of extermination upon them at once, or they will destroy the alfalfa, as they delight to eat up the stocky roots.—*California Agriculturist.*

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