

THE CAUSE OF FIRES

Colorado Scientists Propound a New Theory—Etna Man Testifies.

DENVER Sept. 15.—The prevalence forest fires in Colorado, which are devastating forests, has aroused scientists to the theory that a great number of meteors have fallen in the Rocky Mountains tearing up the earth to a great extent. These meteors drop in heavy pine forests, explode and start the fires. Local scientists are making a study of this new development.

SAW BLUE LIGHT.

In connection with the telegram printed above an interesting story was given to us early this morning by Mr. W. L. White.

On Thursday last Mr. White was about 22 miles up the Lewis river and some 10 miles above the Etna post-office. About 2:30 p. m. the sky turned to almost darkness, soon after turning to red, almost like the northern light, and then for a few minutes a distinct blue, like the color which emanates from an electric machine. There was no sign of fire up to that moment, but shortly afterward blazes were seen on the hills where the blue light had appeared. Among all the stories of the fire to hand, none is more interesting than Mr. White's, for the reason that two hours after hearing it came the telegram announcing the belief of Colorado scientists that meteors had been dropping and setting fire to the heavy timber lands. The phenomena which are described from the East coincide with what our informant graphically and intelligently described. All the surrounding neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. Frank Bailey on the Lewis river and formed a bucket brigade to save the homestead. The house itself was saved by their efforts, but the barn and other outhouses were burned. A large number of families were sheltered there. One old man named Lacey and a young man named Lacey are missing. They fought hard against the flames, but failed to report to shelter. It is not known whether they met death or not, but the gravest fears are entertained, as all enquiries for their whereabouts have failed to locate them. Nearly all the families are homeless and penniless.

A POWERFUL SEARCHLIGHT.

The latest invention is that of a signal light which it is claimed will penetrate the heaviest fog for a distance of half a mile. It is a success many accidents on both land and sea can be averted. Much interest is being manifested in the discovery, the same as in any other invention that is intended to save life. This is the reason so many people have been interested in Hostetter's Stomach Bitters during the past 56 years. It is recognized as the best health maker and blood purifier in existence, and with good health and blood disease cannot find a foothold. It is therefore specially adapted to persons in ill-health and who suffer from heartburn, indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, or malaria, fever and ague. Try it.

FRASER RIVER SALMON PACK. Amounts to 250,000 Cases—Error in Computation.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 8.—The Fraser river salmon pack will be over 250,000 and the \$42,000 which trembled in the balance will be on the canners' side of the transaction. It will be remembered that a week before the canneries were closed the official pack was given as 272,000 cases, minus 40,000 cases brought from the traps. It was estimated that not more than 2000 cases could be put up in the six days by the canneries. In other words it was officially stated that the approximate pack would be 235,000 cases. It now obtains that the canneries carried in telephoning their pack. On the 15th of August they gave their returns to the 8th and 10th, or a week before, not taking into account the fish put up during the big run, the reason being that the returns of a week before was all they could compute at that time. For this reason a trip of the canneries officials to the canneries shows a much larger pack than anticipated.—The Tradesman.

SHAH LIVES HIGH.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—In leaving for St. Petersburg, the Shah of Persia ordered the train speed not to exceed 25 miles an hour, says a cablegram to the American from Paris. He will not reach the Russian city until Tuesday. The railway company mobilized 57 troleys to convey his baggage, which

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weighed 20 tons, to the train. The Shah's hotel bill was \$25,000 for 15 days.

BEVERIDGE RECEIVES OVATION.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 15.—The Republican campaign was inaugurated this evening by a rousing reception to George C. Pardee, the Republican nominee for governor, and Senator A. J. Beveridge, of Indiana.

SERIOUS EXPLOSION.

NORFOLK, Va., Sept. 15.—A gas and powder explosion occurred here today in the mine of the Algona Coal and Coke Company. James Lester, engineer, John Ricker, a miner, and 15 colored miners are known to be imprisoned in it to mine. There is hardly any chance for the men to be recovered alive.

FLOODS IN INDIA.

CALCUTTA, Sept. 15.—Twenty-five villages have been swept away and six thousand persons have been rendered homeless by the floods in the southern part of Bengal.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, August 12, 1902. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of an act of Congress June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

ADDIE M. ROSS, of Knappa, County of Clatsop, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 5567, for the purchase of lots 2 and 3 of section No. 1, in township No. 6 north, range No. 7 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish her claim to said land before the County Clerk of Clatsop County, at Astoria, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 5th day of November, 1902.

She names, as witnesses: H. A. Cameron, of Knappa, Ore.; W. J. Ross, of Knappa, Ore.; W. E. Stone, of Knappa, Ore.; C. H. Ross, of Knappa, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the said 5th day of November, 1902.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 8-13-10-12.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO WITHDRAW INSURANCE DEPOSIT.

THE IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—In accordance with the requirements of the laws of the State of Oregon, relative to insurance companies, notice is hereby given that the Imperial Insurance Company, Limited, of London, England, desiring to cease doing business within the State of Oregon, intends to withdraw its deposit with the treasurer of said state and will, if no claim against said company shall be filed with the Insurance Commissioner within six months from the second day of September, 1902, the same being the date of the first publication of this notice, withdraw its deposit from the State Treasurer.

IMPERIAL INSURANCE CO., LTD., By WM. J. LANDERS, Manager. Dated at San Francisco this 1st day of September, 1902.

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ANNIE SEABURG, of Aberdeen, County of Chelan, State of Washington, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 5590, for the purchase of the north half of the northwest quarter and lots 3 and 4 of section No. 5, in township No. 7 north, range No. 7 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Monday, the 27th day of October, 1902.

She names as witnesses: Sebastian Glaser, of Olney, Ore.; John E. Larson, of Astoria, Ore.; Julius Gandy, of Astoria, Ore.; John Denck, of Astoria, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the said 27th day of October, 1902.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 8-19-10-21.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Clatsop County: Alexandre Gilbert Plaintiff, vs. Norbert Gullion and Claude Gullion, defendants.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in above entitled court in the above entitled action on the first publication of this summons, namely, on or before six weeks from the 19th day of August, 1902, and the defendants will take notice that if they fail so to appear the plaintiff will take judgment against them and each of them for the sum of \$251.34, together with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from the 19th day of April, A. D. 1902, until paid, together with the costs and disbursements of this action. The defendants are further notified that the plaintiff has attached in this action the bark Ernest Le Goyve, bar tackle, apparel and furniture complete; and that upon the entry of a judgment in this action an order will be taken for the sale of said attached property. Defendants are further notified that a writ of summons in the above entitled action was ordered to be made on each of said defendants by publication thereof in the Astorian for a period of six weeks, pursuant to an order and decree rendered by the County Judge of the County of Clatsop, State of Oregon, on the 14th day of August, 1902.

The date of the first publication of this summons is August 19, 1902.

FULTON BROS., Attorneys for Plaintiff. 8-19-10-20.

NOTICE OF GUARDIAN SALE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as guardian of Ruth Minaker, a minor, will on Monday, the 15th day of September, A. D. 1902, at and in front of the court house door, at the City of Astoria, Oregon, at County, in the State of Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the following described real estate of said ward, situated in said County of Clatsop, to-wit:

An undivided four-ninths (4-9) interest in and to part of the west one-half or the southeast one-quarter and the east one-half of the southwest one quarter of section seven (7) in township eight (8) north, of range six (6) west of the Willamette meridian being the entire interest of said ward in and to said real estate. Said sale will be made pursuant to the decree and order made by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Clatsop County, on the 11th day of August, 1902. EMILY CASHEL, Guardian. 8-15-10-10.

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WILLIAM L. GILSON, of Dallas, county of Polk, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5525, for the purchase of the NW quarter of section No. 10 in township No. 6 north, range No. 9 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Oregon City, Ore., on Saturday, the 4th day of October, 1902.

He names as witnesses: Theodore Stackman, of Astoria, Ore.; James E. Flynn, of Portland, Ore.; Adelson Monroe, of Portland, Ore.; Thos. B. Bidwell, of Astoria, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 4th day of October, 1902.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 7-25-9-25.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, at Oregon City, Oregon, Aug. 4, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

JAMES B. SHORT, of Mullen, County of Shoshone, State of Idaho, has this day filed his sworn statement No. 5535, for the purchase of the SW quarter of section No. 23, in township No. 6 north, range No. 9 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Monday, the 27th day of October, 1902.

He names as witnesses: B. J. Burke, of Seaside, Oregon; T. M. T. Burke, of Seaside, Oregon; John A. McDonnell, of Mullen, Idaho; Millard Armstrong, of Mullen, Idaho.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 27th day of October, 1902.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 8-3-10-10.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, at Oregon City, Oregon, Aug. 1, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

KATE A. CLARK, of Seaside, County of Clatsop, State of Oregon, has this day filed her sworn statement No. 5577, for the purchase of the E half of NE quarter, NW quarter of northeast quarter, and northeast quarter of northwest quarter of section No. 3, in township No. 5 north, range No. 7 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim before the clerk of Clatsop County, at Astoria, Oregon, on the 17th day of October, 1902.

She names as witnesses: Olaf Boren, of Astoria, Oregon; R. M. Gaston, of Astoria, Oregon; Timothy Corcoran, of Jewel, Oregon; D. M. Stuart, of Astoria, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 17th day of October, 1902.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 8-3-10-10.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Oregon City, Oregon, August 29, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Clatsop County, at Astoria, Oregon, on October 29, 1902, viz: JONAS UNTINEN, Homestead Entry No. 11149, for the lots 1 and 2, section 1, township 4 north, range 9 west, and southeast quarter of southwest quarter and lot 4, section 31, township 5 north, range 8 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Andrew Mattson, Henry Hill, Albert Hill, Henry Tokola, Herman Jackson Autio, all of Push, Oregon. CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 8-5-10-10.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, Aug. 5, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of an act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

WILLIAM F. BUNNELL, of Portland, County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5548, for the purchase of the west half of the northwest quarter of section 22, and the east half of the northeast quarter of section No. 23, in township No. 6 north, range No. 9 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to the said land before the register and receiver at Oregon City, Oregon, on Monday, the 2d day of November, 1902.

He names as witnesses: William Kriesel, of Portland, Ore.; Byron J. Sanford, of Montavilla, Ore.; James T. Burke, of Seaside, Ore.; B. J. Burke, of Seaside, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the said 2d day of November, 1902.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 8-15-10-17.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, at Oregon City, Oregon, Aug. 5, 1902.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

WILLIAM SMOOT, of Wallace, county of Shoshone, State of Idaho, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5544, for the purchase of the SW quarter of section No. 32, in township No. 6 N., range No. 9 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Monday, the 20th day of October, 1902.

He names as witnesses: James B. Short, of Mullen, Idaho; John A. McDonnell, of Mullen, Idaho; James T. Burke, of Seaside, Oregon; Millard Armstrong, of Mullen, Idaho.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 20th day of October, 1902.

CHAS. B. MOORES, Register. 8-3-10-10.

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