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FORFEIT THE LANDS.

There is a bill before congress which if it becomes a law, will forfeit all railroad lands not earned in strict accordance with the terms of the act under which they were granted. In other words where lands were granted to a railroad and the road was not completed within the time required, the lands contiguous to the uncompleted line will be forfeited. There never was a more just proposition, for that bill would put the corporations on an exact equality with the citizen. In locating government land the citizen must comply with the laws especially as to time. He must reside upon the land a certain length of time, make certain improvements, and must within a specified time make proof of the fact. If he does this he gets title; if he does not, he gets left. This is the law for the citizen, but it is not the law for the corporation. It has been ruled for their benefit that the land became theirs, as soon as the act was passed, conditioned only on the completion of the road, when the corporation got ready to complete it.

The passage of this bill would restore 54,000,000 acres to the national domain, 36,000,000 of which would come from the Northern Pacific. It will be recollected that when that portion of the grant along the Columbia was forfeited, Mr. Oakes, president of the Northern Pacific, boasted that the lands they had left, and which, he said, by the act forfeiting this portion of the grant, became absolutely the property of his road, were worth \$1,000,000,000 or ten times the total cost of the building and equipping of the road. If this statement was true, the lands the other side of Bismarck, which it is conceded the company earned, would alone more than pay for the building and stocking of the entire Northern Pacific system. In other words, giving the company the lands east of Bismarck is equivalent to the government building and equipping the road and presenting it to the company. Another thing is remembered and that is that right now the Northern Pacific is not willing to accept the entire grant upon the terms under which the settler takes his, but insists that it also owns all mineral lands. Senator Dolph, we are sorry to say is opposed to this forfeiture and always was. That fact is the heaviest load he has to carry in his coming fight in Salem.

It is just and honest that this great corporation should not be given lands it did not earn, and it is just and honest that the people's representatives in congress should look after the people's rights, instead of the greedy desires of an unholy and grasping monopoly.

A PETTY BRIBE.

Spokane has been so much a creature of real estate booms that the prevailing idea in that charming city for the advancement of every scheme, is a subsidy. The latest proposition is to give the United States government a subsidy of 1,000 acres as an inducement to locate a military post there. The idea of this great government, itself the boss subsidizer, accepting a subsidy as a condition of selecting a site for a military post would be ludicrous if it did not border on the pathetic. Sacred history records a somewhat similar case. With several hundred millions of acres of land of its own, the bribe seems trifling.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer has sent a party to explore the summit of Mt. Ranier, the party leaving on the 17th, so that they ought to be heard from soon. The object is to discover the source and cause of the smoke alleged to have issued from the crater a few weeks ago. We notice among the party the name of W. M. Sheffield, a reporter on the Intelligencer. Mr. Sheffield was a Dalles boy, and six years ago was setting type in the old Sun office. We have observed that The Dalles boys always get there, and there is nothing too high for their ambition, not even the summit of Mt. Ranier in mid-winter.

Hood River people are not injuring themselves by a wild rush to respond to Dr. J. Guy Lewis' invitation to select fruit for him to spread himself on in San Francisco. They had a taste of that business at the world's fair, and concluded that \$10 a yard for the ribbon proposed to be returned to them to show that they had won it, was too expensive. Some people know when they have enough of a good thing, and the Hood River people are of that kind.

Ben Tiltman, of South Carolina, will soon have an opportunity to make good the brags he made on the stump last summer about what he would do when he got into the senate. He promised to give Cleveland the worst drubbing he ever had in his life, to utterly demolish and confound the gold bugs, and to bring the railroad managers to their marrow-bones. He was just going to make things hum in that old senate and make the country realize that somebody had got there.—Chicago Tribune.

The Oregon Pacific railroad was advertised to be sold today at Corvallis. It is expected that a Montana syndicate will bid on it and probably secure it. If this is accomplished it will mean another trans-continental railroad within a couple of years, and it will also forever still the Prineville Review's arguments that a railroad will prove a curse instead of a blessing to Crook county.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with neuralgia and rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by Snipes & Kinersly.

THE CHURCHES.

Preaching service at the Christian church tomorrow, at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by Rev. W. H. Shearman of Portland.

The Baptist church, Rev. O. D. Taylor pastor, will hold services at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. All not worshipping elsewhere are cordially invited. Sunday school follows the morning service. No service in the evening.

Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. J. Whisler pastor.—Preaching by the

pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school after morning service; Junior League at 5:30 p. m.; Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.; class meeting Sunday at 10 a. m. and Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m. All are cordially welcomed.

The Congregational church, corner of Court and Fifth street—Sunday services as usual: At 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. worship, and a sermon by the pastor, W. C. Curtis. Sunday school immediately after the morning service and meeting of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Topic, Carrying to others the Christmas joy (a missionary meeting), Is ix:2-7. All persons not worshipping elsewhere are cordially invited.

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