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RELEASE OF MORTGAGES.

One of the brilliantly stupid accomplishments of the last legislature was the act requiring all mortgages to be released by a formal release, executed with the same formalities as a conveyance of land, by the mortgagee himself or the person appearing by the record to be the owner of the mortgage. Prior to this act the holder of a note secured by a mortgage could by affidavit show that he was the holder of the note and, without having a formal transfer of the mortgage upon the records, release the mortgage. Now a purchaser of a note secured by a mortgage must, in order to place himself in a situation to release the mortgage when the note is paid, have in addition to an assignment of the note, a transfer of the mortgage made and recorded, and instead of being able to step to the clerk's office and cancel the mortgage upon the margin of the record, he must go to an attorney or notary and have a release prepared and executed the same as a deed and then have the same recorded. The expense is considerably increased and great inconvenience is frequently experienced by reason of the removal of the original mortgage in case of a transfer of the note.

The law must have originated with some fool notary or some of the incompetent roustabouts to whom our supreme court have issued certificates of admission to the bar, and whose principal business is writing conveyances.

A REPUTED COAL MINE.

If it be true that an abundant supply of coal has been discovered near Lyle's landing on the Columbia, the owner of it will be fortunate indeed; but he is not the only one who will reap a benefit. An abundant supply of coal within easy access to the Middle Columbia would have a marked influence upon the industrial history of this section and the development of a large section of Eastern Oregon and Washington. The fuel question alone is a serious drawback to a very large extent of fertile lands in this portion of the two states. Farmers of Sherman and portions of Wasco and Klickitat counties haul wood from 20 to 50 miles or buy coal at the railroad stations paying therefor \$8 to \$12 per ton. The railroad company haul their coal either from the Sound, Roslyn, Wash., or Rock Springs, Wyoming. This fact increases the expenses of railroad transportation and is paid for, in part at least, by the producers.

A great drawback to manufacturing enterprises throughout this section of the two states is lack of good fuel. A discovery like the one reported would solve many obstacles to the development of our resources and the upbuilding of this and other towns along the river; we sincerely hope the report is true.

Contrary to expectation Judge Belinger has denied a new trial on the cases of the government against James Lotan and Seid Back. The decision will cause surprise among those who have closely watched the evidence at the trial. That twelve sensible men should convict on the testimony of an admitted perjurer like Blum, seems hardly possible. The added fact that several jurymen expressed doubt of the defendant's guilt and declared they were coerced into a verdict, makes the statement reasonable that Mr. Lotan and the Chinese merchant have hardly been treated with fairness. Mr. Lotan was a professional politician and for this he is to be censured, but still the offense of being a wirepuller and manipulator of offices and men, however inimical it may be to good government, ought not to be a motive for conviction on the charge of smuggling unless there be better evidence than that produced in court last April. As a politician of astuteness Lotan would not place himself in the hands of Blum for \$20,000 or double that sum. If Lotan and Joe Simon were to be arraigned on the charge of being professional politicians many good citizens would like to see them convicted and shorn of power.

Presidential booms are being constructed already, but the wise politicians will keep as much out of sight as possible for some time to come. If President Cleveland undertakes the construction of a boom for Mr. Morrison, or in fact anyone else, it will catch very few sticks. The stream of the popular vote will not flow by Cleveland's ranch next year unless all signs fail and any attempt of the present administration to name the coming man, will certainly end the prospects

of the man. In fact the people of this country have about as much use for Cleveland as a mule has for an Indian.

THE CHRONICLE is pleased to note the clearing of some of the streets of loose stones and other debris. The street leading up the hill from the south end of Washington street is one that needs attention in this respect; few of the streets are more used and recently there has been much loose broken rock in it. We are also pleased to note, and many citizens will join us, that steps are being taken by the council to compel the repair of sidewalks. Let the good work go on.

The latest attempt at competitive journalism in Portland has failed. The Sun sank behind the hills yesterday and did not appear this morning. While it is true the Oregonian is a great newspaper and covers the newspaper field thoroughly, yet we are sorry the Sun has failed. It made a wonderful fight to maintain its footing, but the odds were too great. Portland should have two morning papers, but the failure of the Sun will delay competition for a long time.

A leading daily says that "the criticism upon Mr. Dolph's criticism of a recent court opinion appears to be based on the assumption that he has mistaken morals for law." From the opinion itself it is apparent that it is simply and entirely based on the assumption that he has mistaken what he thinks of the law for a well established rule of law.

An Elephant Chases His Trainer.

It seems the elephant had a grudge against his trainer for two or three days previous and had been acting very vicious. He would raise his trunk high in the air, trumpet and tear madly at the huge chain which held him. It was only by accident that the cause of his grievance was found out. As the procession was passing the store of J. B. Crossen, the Grocer, he was seen to stand and look longingly inside, while tubful of tears streamed down his countenance. It was then surmised that because his trainer had not bought his groceries and vegetables from Crossen's Grocery had occasioned his wrath. Elephants and everybody else know that the best place to trade is with J. B. Crossen, the Grocer. al-117

Announcement.

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