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### THE TORRENS SYSTEM.

At the recent election Cook county, Illinois, adopted the Torrens system of registration of land titles, under an act of the last state legislature authorizing counties to make such a change. This system was originated in Australia, where it has been in practical operation for many years; and it has also been adopted, with certain modifications caused by local conditions, in England and Prussia. It is designed to simplify conveyances of real estate, to reduce litigation over land titles, and to substitute security for insecurity in the ownership of such property. The Illinois law is a little more complicated than that of Australia, but practically like it in all essential particulars. Provision is made for a registrar who shall keep a record of all land titles in the county, and make transfers thereof on his books, giving certificates to the owners, which will be as readily convertible as a registered bond. The grantor is required to execute a deed as heretofore—which is not the case in Prussia, for instance, where the buyer and seller may appear before the registrar and make the change of ownership without any writing between them, simply by word of mouth—but the deed counts only as an incident; it is the record of the transference of title.

Under this method, the books of the registrar show at a glance in whom the title to the given tract of land is vested and to what incumbrances and charges it is subject. Each certificate issued to a purchaser becomes a new title, and there is no need to look behind it for possible defects. At the end of five years after the first certificate is issued, the statute of limitations shuts out all adverse claimants, and the title is held to be perfect. In case of transmission by will or descent, the title goes not directly to the heirs, but to the executor or administrator, the same as personalty; and proof of heirship is made before the court, which orders the title to be transferred accordingly, on the surrender and cancellation of the outstanding certificate. The advantages of such a system are manifest, and the only objection to be urged against it is that of precedent, or prejudice in favor of the present cumbersome, expensive and more or less uncertain methods of conveyance. It will take some time for the people of Illinois to become accustomed to it and willing to extend its operation throughout the various counties; but it is such a decided improvement in every respect that there can be no doubt about its ultimate acceptance by the whole State. The same reasons recommend it for adoption in other States, at least so far as its general features of simplicity and security are concerned, and they should not delay a change which is so clearly in the interest of the owners of all kinds of real estate.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

### WHERE WOOL GROWERS ARE HAPPY.

There are good times in Australia, says the Economist. Wool growing is the staple farm product there. It is, in fact, the mainstay of the colonies. A good demand for wool and an advancing market naturally make the Australians feel happy. The largest woolen house in Melbourne, in its report of September 16, 1895, had this to say:

A fair total has changed hands at rising prices, and there is every indication that the demand at the sales will be particularly keen. The noticeable expansion of trade of the past few months has led to a very large absorption of the stocks existing at the beginning of the year, and in this respect the position of the market is regarded most favorably. A very promising outlook is presented for the forthcoming season, of which we shall hold the opening sale on the 16th prox., and a substantial improvement on the values of its predecessor is assured. The position as regards the local market recalls that of 1889, and appears likely, as then, to secure a large addition to the total disposed of in the sales.

This is very cheering news to American wool growers. Free wool in the United States enriches the Australian farmer. But it ruins the American.

### BUSINESS POINTERS.

East Oregonian: W. M. Rothell, the Omaha stockman, has gone to The Dalles. In three weeks he will ship some stock from Pendleton.

La Grande Chronicle: C. M. Grimes, a leading citizen of The Dalles, came in

Thursday. Mr. Grimes is an extensive cattle dealer and is looking over the valley with a view of purchasing stock for shipment.

The Commercial club is now fairly under headway, and good results may be expected to follow. There are several citizens who are not yet on the roll of membership and their assistance and counsel are needed to make up that solid unit for success.

Fossil Journal: The Gilman—French Stock Co. shipped 175 head of beef cattle from H. H. Hendricks to Troutdale Nov. 11th. 22 head of which were put in by Alex. Beard. The price paid was \$2.30 for steers, and \$1.80 for cows. One cow bought from H. H. Hendricks by Mr. Beard, brought \$24.50.

Hon. Chas. Hilton came up last week to take a look at his sheep on Pine Creek. Fearing a hard winter, he sent one band over into the Yakima country, where alfalfa is \$2.50 per ton, and another band to somewhere near The Dalles. He has 378 tons of hay in store for the three bands in this county. Mr. Hilton started back to The Dalles Tuesday.

### The Exposure of the Shores Medicine Company.

When the Dr. Shores' Medical Company was in The Dalles it took the town by storm. For two weeks they gave exhibitions in the opera house and sold medicine by the barrel full. At that time THE CHRONICLE told some truths about the combination which came very unpleasantly to the ears of the members. When the Shores' Company had drained the town they went to Oregon City, where they met with a very different reception. Instead of finding only one newspaper in opposition to them, they soon had an encounter with the officers of the law. Dr. Carl, one of the members of the state medical board, had Fretwell, the manager arrested and the case is now under consideration. The following telegrams, taken from the Independent of Oregon City, are self explanatory, when it is known that "Dr." Fretwell, of the Shores' Medicine Co. claimed that he had fought and defeated the Montana medical law in Missoula this fall:

OREGON CITY, Nov. 19, '95.  
To Hanson, Missoula, Mont. Did one Fretwell fight and defeat Montana medical law in your city this fall? Answer. DR. CARL.

MISSOULA, Mont., Nov. 19, '95.  
Dr. W. E. Carl, Oregon City. He did not. Fretwell is an auctioneer from Salt Lake, gambler and quack.

S. H. HANSON, M. D.  
It seems that the newspaper that warned the people of The Dalles about the untrustworthiness of this medicine company and the druggist, who refused to handle their medicines, were about right after all.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

E. O. McCoy of Grant is in the city.  
Ex-Governor Moody went to Salem today.

Mr. J. N. Gulliford came in from Prineville last evening.

Mr. W. C. Allaway went to Vancouver this morning on company business.

Mrs. John Filloon went to Goldendale this morning for a short visit with friends.

Mr. J. P. Howe, the theatrical manager, went to Portland on the morning train.

Messrs. W. B. Presby and C. H. Spaulding, two well-known attorneys of Goldendale, are in the city.

Mr. A. P. Bradbury, the well-known commercial traveler, is making one of his regular visits to The Dalles.

Mr. Henry Michell of Goldendale was in the city yesterday. Mr. Michell was a resident of The Dalles several years ago.

Mr. W. H. Moore of Moro, who was summoned as a witness at the beginning of court and then went home for a few days, has returned to town.

There is nothing that causes women greater discomfort and misery than the constantly recurring headache. Men suffer less with headache. "My wife's health was very indifferent having headache continually, and just two packages of Simmons Liver Regulator released her from all headache and gave tone and vigor to her whole system. I have never regretted it's use."—M. B. DeCord, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

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