

Important to Miners.

The following communication was received by J. Voyle, of Jacksonville, in response to a letter written by him concerning questions of much importance to miners. It is self-explanatory, and should be read by all interested in mining:

WASHINGTON, D. C. March 7, 1900.

Your letter of February 23, 1900, asking answer to certain questions "for the purpose of publication and informing the prospector, working miner and homesteader what their rights really are," has received my careful consideration.

Your first six questions are practically reduced to one, as follows:

Is a U. S. patent for agricultural land annulled by discovery of mineral after the issuance of a patent? If not, what is the date at which the discovery of mineral will defeat an agricultural entry, or is there no limit to the time in which the homesteader's rights may be annulled by the discovery of mineral? Does the government reserve the right of entry upon patented land for miners and prospectors? Must the owner of the land under the patent proceed under the mining laws to develop the mineral resources of the land in case of the annulment of such patent? What, if any, reparation is provided?

There is no conflict as you seem to think in the rulings bearing upon that question, which rulings may be summarized as follows:

The character of the land included in agricultural entries must be determined by the conditions existing at date of final entry; that is the date of sale of the land by the government. Up to that date the miners and prospectors may go upon land included in an agricultural entry and prospect and explore the land for minerals; but he has no right to damage the agricultural improvements or to interfere with the agricultural claimants, legitimate use of the land, and if he does so the injured party must look to the local courts for relief. If mineral is discovered upon the land in quantity sufficient to make the land more valuable therefor than for agricultural purposes, it will defeat the agricultural entry, as mineral land can be entered only under the mineral laws. If, however, the land is not known to be mineral land at date of final entry, to which date all patents relate back, the subsequent discovery will not defeat the agricultural entry, nor will it prevent the issuance of patent upon said entry, which patent when issued terminates the jurisdiction of the land department over the patented lands and, far as it is concerned the patentee has sole and exclusive jurisdiction over the land for whatever purpose he may deem it most profitable.

Your three questions as to railroad lands are, in effect, as follows:

You have a group of mining claims maintained and developed upon lands in railroad limits, a patent for the land issued December 9, 1899, to the O. & C. Railroad Co. The company's patentee demands your removal from land. Did the patent to the company pass title to the mineral upon the land, and does a quitclaim deed from the company relieve the mineral claimant from the necessity of performing the annual assessment work on his claim?

In case of grants of land to railroad companies and to states, mineral lands are excluded unless otherwise specified; and, as in agricultural entries, miners and prospectors may go upon such granted lands, prospect for minerals up to

the date of the patenting of the lands or by certification where patent is not required. The fact that the company previously quitclaimed the land does not prevent prospecting, because the government retains title until the issuance of patent. If, however, the date of patent or certification, the lands are not known to contain minerals, the subsequent discovery of minerals will not affect the patent or certification under which title passes. If the land to which you refer, but which you fail to describe by legal subdivision, was known to be mineral prior to the issuance of patent in question, and that fact had been on record in the land department, it would have prevented the issuance of the patent until after a hearing to determine the character of the land: but patent having been issued, the land department is without jurisdiction, and the mineral claimant must look to the courts for relief, unless it can be shown that the patent was erroneously or fraudulently issued, when the land department might recommend the institution of proceedings to determine the validity of the patent.

In regard to the performance of the annual assessment work, a statement of the general rule will suffice.

In order to maintain a mining claim, and keep secure the possessory title guaranteed by the mining law, annual assessment work must be done without regard to whether it is in railroad limits or is included in lands quitclaimed by the company, so long as the mineral claimant elects to rely upon the precarious title of a possessory right which may be jeopardized by the patenting of the land to other parties. If, however, the mineral claimant seeks to secure a perfect title from the government, the annual assessment work need not be maintained beyond the date of the register's final certificate of entry, to which date the patent thereon, when issued, relates back; but it must not be forgotten that mineral entry can be made only for vacant mineral land, and no mineral application or entry can be allowed for lands which are embraced in a prior or pending application, selection or entry. Very respectfully,

BINGER HERMANN, Comm.

RESULT OF THE ELECTION.

The City election last Monday was hotly contested on recorder and marshal, but quiet on other officials. Last year the number of votes cast was 67 and this year it is 92 showing an increase of about one-third. The official vote is as follows:

TRUSTEES.	
W. H. Caine	68
T. J. Dowling	64
O. C. Purkepile	68
W. T. Reames	76
A. C. Stanley	77
W. H. Runnels	36
Dan Richards	33
RECORDERS.	
A. J. T. Smith	40
A. E. Kellogg	48
MARSHAL.	
A. J. Olsen	55
G. W. Sperry	35

In almost every neighborhood there is some one whose life has been saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, or who has been cured of chronic diarrhoea by the use of that medicine. Such persons make a point of telling of it whenever opportunity offers, hoping that it may be the means of saving other lives. For sale by Emery J. Eastman, Gold Hill, or Ben Haymond, Rock Point.

You can't expect good bread from inferior flour. Buy Rogue River and get the best every time.

THE HIGH LINE DITCH.

Continued from front page.

the population will increase with leaps and bounds.

In giving these items about the High Line Ditch we are endeavoring to show that as a money earning enterprise it will be a successful venture, and also that as a means of developing the resources of this part of Oregon it will bear an important part. The assurance being made by the projectors of this great work that everything is going forward in a favorable way is good news to the residents of this part of Southern Oregon. Without a supply of water the mines cannot be worked, but with such an abundance of water, fortunes will be taken from the earth.

BEST WINTER ROUTE.

For sunshine, flowers and oranges take the Sunset Route via Los Angeles to all points East. Tourist excursion cars and chair cars to El Paso, Fort Worth, Kansas City, Chicago, Cincinnati, Houston, New Orleans and Washington, D. C.

For rates, guides and information address, C. H. Markham, G. P. A., Portland, Or.

CASH PAID FOR CHICKENS

AT THE Gold Hill Hotel

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c. 162

Notice to Contribute to Assessment Work.

To Amanda E. Landes, William Booth, Elizabeth Boen, and Albert M. McClure.

You and each of you are hereby notified that the undersigned have performed the assessment work upon that certain mining claim situated on the head of Footh Creek on the divide of the mountain in Jackson County, Oregon, being about twelve hundred feet from the Cook mine, and running four hundred feet North by West, and eleven hundred feet South by East, and known as the Sophia mine, location certificate recorded at page 614 of Volume 5 of mining records of Jackson County, Oregon, and that the proportion of said work due from you respectively to the undersigned as your share of said work is as follows, to-wit: from William Booth for the year 1897, \$25.00; for the year 1898, \$25.00, and for the year 1899, \$25.00. From Amanda E. Landes for the year 1899 \$4.25; From Elizabeth Boen for the year 1899 \$2.12%; and from Albert H. McClure for 1899, \$2.12%, and if said sums are not paid to the undersigned at the expiration of ninety days after this notice by publication, your and each of your interest in said claim, will become the property of the undersigned, your co-owners in said mine.

Date of first publication, February 3, 1900. W. C. Pairan, G. C. Ruff.

900 DROPS

CASTORIA

Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of

INFANTS CHILDREN

Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

Recipe of Old Dr. SAMUEL PITCHEE

Pumpkin Seed -
Aloes -
Rhubarb -
Sassafras -
Sage -
Cinnamon -
Mint -
Cloves -
Nutmeg -
Ginger -
Peppermint -
Anise -
Licorice -
Marshmallows -
Glycerine -
Sugar -
Water

A perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

Facsimile Signature of
Dr. H. H. Fletcher
NEW YORK.

At 6 months old
35 Doses - 35 CENTS

EXACT COPY OF WRAPPER.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature

of
Dr. H. H. Fletcher
In Use For Over Thirty Years
CASTORIA

VISIT DR. JORDAN'S GREAT MUSEUM OF ANATOMY

1051 MARKET ST., SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

(Between Sixth and Seventh.)

The Largest Anatomical Museum in the World.

Great attraction in the City. A wonderful sight for students.

Weaknesses, or any contracted disease, positively cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES

Young men and middle aged men who are suffering from the effects of youthful indiscretions or excesses in matter

years. Nervous and physical debility, impotence, lost manhood, loss of vitality, etc., are cured by the oldest Specialist on the Pacific Coast. Established 26 years.

DR. JORDAN - PRIVATE DISEASES