

AFTER MORMONS

GOVERNMENT SEEKS TO STOP TIMBER STEALING

Millions of Feet Have Been Cut and Sawn into Lumber in Big Hole Basin—Saw Mills Have Been Located in Favored Spots and Cream of Government Timber Skimmed Off.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 23.—It appears from a report made to the county commissioners, at their regular session on Monday, that wholesale thefts of timber have been made from the public domain in Carbon county, and the attention of the United States district attorney in Helena has been called to the matter with a request that action be taken at once to put a stop to the practice and punish the guilty ones.

It is alleged that members of a Mormon colony in Big Horn county have illegally cut millions of feet of timber on Pryor mountain, and that they are now planning to move their saw mill to another favored spot to continue these wholesale appropriations of the property of the United States. The letter to United States District Attorney Carl Rasch on the subject is as follows, written by County Clerk Finley in pursuance to a resolution of the board:

"By a resolution this day passed by the board of county commissioners of Carbon county, I am directed to inform you that complaint has been made to this board concerning the illegal cutting of timber on the public domain in this county.

"The complaint alleges that parties connected with a Mormon colony in Big Horn county, Wyoming, have for some time past been engaged in the wholesale cutting of timber from government land on Pryor mountain in Carbon county, just across the line from Wyoming. It is reported that several million feet have been cut and taken into Big Horn county for the purpose of sale.

"The parties have a saw mill on Pryor mountain and have already cut all of the available timber around the setting; they are now engaged in constructing another road to a big stretch of government timber at a spot, it is said, of \$2,000. When this road is completed the mill is to be moved to the new setting.

"Your attention is hereby directed to this matter, in the hope that speedy and proper action may be taken whereby this extensive cutting of timber on the public domain may be stopped."

JOSEPH SMITH'S BIRTHDAY. Ninety-Eighth Anniversary Is Being Celebrated Today.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 23.—Among the Mormons everywhere there were held today celebrations which might be compared to the Christmas celebration of Christendom. This is Joseph Smith's birthday anniversary, and the observance of it and of Brigham Young's birthday are official holidays of the Mormon church.

In the evening interesting exercises are held at all of the meeting houses of the faith, differing little from the customary Christmas celebrations. The program consists of music and of discourses on Joseph Smith, his life and works. The story is told of his birth in 1805 in a lowly farm house among the mountains of Vermont, his alleged discovery of the sacred plates, and his subsequent "revelations," the story of his subsequent career, in which he founded the Mormon religion, and his tragic death in Illinois.

At the tabernacle today all-day exercises were held with addresses by a number of prominent speakers. The musical service, which was on an elaborate scale, was a chief feature of the program.

COLONEL MEADE RETIRES. Brother of General Meade, of Civil War Fame—A Lifelong Soldier.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The case of Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General Robert L. Meade of the marine corps, which attracted quite a little public attention early in the present year, came to a definite end today with the retirement of that officer from active service on account of disability.

Colonel Meade is a brother of General Meade, the victor of Gettysburg. He saw service in the civil and the Spanish wars, in the Philippine insurrection and in the Peking campaign of 1900. For his services in China he was brevetted brigadier general. A few years ago he was charged with drunkenness on duty while in command of the marine barracks at the Brooklyn navy yard, and was acquitted.

SOUTHERN ELOCUTIONISTS. Large Attendance Expected to Be at Atlanta Next Week.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 23.—The Southern Association of Elocutionists will hold its annual convention in Atlanta during the coming week and advices received by the committee in charge of the arrangements indicate an unusually large attendance. Most of the prominent schools and colleges of the South will be represented. Scientific papers and artistic readings will be given at the various sessions, which are to begin Monday and continue for three days.

BIG PRIZES FOR FINE HORSES. \$8,430 Offered on Percheron Stock Alone at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—The American Percheron Horse Breeders' and Importers' association has issued a circular calling attention to the \$8,430

offered in regular and special prizes for horses of that breed at the world's fair. The circular says it will be the greatest exhibit of live stock ever assembled and that no larger or better show will probably be seen anywhere in the world for many years to come.

LIFE IN LEPER COLONY.

St. Louis Girl Tells of the Wonders of the Molokai.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—After having spent the past 11 years caring for the children of the lepers of the Hawaiian islands, Sister Albina of the Franciscan order, who formerly was Miss Studer of St. Louis has arrived here on a visit to her parents.

Sister Albina said that the common belief that children of lepers inherit the disease is erroneous. "We take the children when they are two days old," she said, "and we have never had a case where leprosy has developed in after years. The children mostly all come from the island of Molokai, where the lepers' colony is located."

Portland's assessment for 1903 is \$3,000,000 greater than in 1902, and the city expenditures \$166,514 more than last year.



Women's Headaches

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I consider Wine of Cardui superior to any doctor's medicine I ever used and I know whereof I speak. I suffered for nine months with suppressed menstruation which completely prostrated me. Pain would shoot through my back and sides and I would have blinding headaches. My limbs would swell up and I would feel so weak I could not stand up. I naturally felt discouraged for I seemed beyond the help of physicians, but Wine of Cardui came as a God-send to me. I felt a change for the better within a week. After nineteen days treatment I menstruated without suffering agonies I usually did and soon became regular and without pain.

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Mrs. Wilhelmina Snow
Treasurer, Portland Economic League.

Headaches are the danger signals of coming disease. Both men and women suffer headaches, but periodical headache falls only to the lot of women and is the unerring sign of irregular menstruation and bearing down pains. Completely prostrated by nine months of suppressed menses, blinded by headaches and racked with pain Mrs. Snow was made a strong and healthy woman again. Remember with Wine of Cardui no case is hopeless because this great remedy cures permanently nineteen out of every twenty cases and never fails to benefit a case of irregular menses, bearing down pains or any female weakness. If you are discouraged and doctors have failed, try Wine of Cardui, and try it now. Remember that headaches mean female weakness. Secure a bottle of Wine of Cardui today. All druggists sell \$1.00 bottles of Wine of Cardui.

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The Latest Popular Fiction

The leading books of the day are—"Mettle of Pasture," by James Lane Allen; "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," by Jno. Fox; "Gordon Keith," by Thomas Nelson Page; "The Grey Cloak," by Harold McGrath; "The Filligree Ball," by Katherine Greene; "The Call of the Wild," by Jack London; "Lady Rose's Daughter," by Mrs. Humphrey Ward; "Under the Rose," by Frederick J. Isham; "Letters of a Self-Made Merchant to His Son;" "The One Woman," by Thomas Dixon Jr.; "The Sherrods," by Geo. Barr McCutcheon; and many others of great interest.

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Miscellaneous

Christmas tree decorations, some new things never shown before. X'mas candles and holders, wax candles and plain candles, albums, calendars, fancy stationery, footballs, punching bags, boxing gloves, game boards from 75c to \$3.00, finish, pit and many other games.

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