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Methods of Land Fraud-

The department in the General Land Office at Washington is beginning to take cognizance of the purchase money has been many systems of fraud which have paid, and the balance is to be paid been practiced these many years by

ocial divergence precludes the protold the locators of quick fortunes in Oregon and Washington timber lands and a stampede ensues.

Arrived in the timber district they are shown a belt of timber and told that the whole country is like it, and that when they have seen one quarter section they have seen a thousand. Without going within miles of any vacant land, they are bundled off to the nearest officer, who railroads their sworn statements through his shop, the descriptions indicating such lands as his clients, the mill operators, have had carefully cruised and know to be desirable.

"When the time comes for final proof a proposition is made by the capitalist to loan the necessary money, provided a power of attorney is given to sell the land, and after paying all expenses, to divide the net proceeds between the entryman and himself. This is not as was first understood when these parties first met, and the entryman get the money he comes to the terms of the capitalist and signs the necessary papers rather than lose his right to enter lands.

"There is no public record of this transaction, and as no one not vested with judicial authority can compel the attendance of witnesses, the Government is unable to act in this matter.

While it is a fact that these swindles are a clean open and shut cinch, and that the lands are in the hands of these timber speculators who were a party to the swindle, would it not be a good time for an investigation and have those patents cancelled before these lands go into the hands of innocent purchasers. It is rather late in the day to simply discover that frauds are and have been perpetrated unless something can be done in regard to those already patened, as nearly all the timber lands have already been taken.

In the Redwood Country.

There is so much of speculative umor in the air concerning railroad projection and negotiation of large deals of both timber lands, mills eligible city business property that it is difficult to segregate the improbable from reasonable report. Comfirmatory rumors come of prosecution of work northward on the California & Northwestern road, and there is also live reports of railroad progression northward through Del Norte and into Oregon.

One of the most important and significant deals in mill property and timber land that has been recorded in Humboldt county occurred last week, in which a truly gigantic transfer of lumbering interests was effected. It consisted Finance, Ottawa: Regret you were City last week that came near end-Lumber Company's big plant at ernor-General sent me message for chased from private parties. The to England by means of wireless ren's purchaser was Hiram C. Smith, of telegraphy with complete success. board.

We Must Work If We Want Good Roads-

Riverton, Oregon,

acres purchased outside, but contig-uous to the Pacific Lumber Co's Dec. 8, 1902. holdings. Fifty thousand dollars EDITOR HERALD; parties taking up public land, particularily timber lands. The opinion is common in this section that many claims have been taken up on this coast under conditions entirely contrary to the law, but that no contrary to the law, but that no move has ever been made to check such proceedings. Following are excerpts from a letter received by Commissioner Herman from Secret Commissioner Herman from Secretary of Interior Hitchcock:

The department has been advised that the method of procedure pursued in many cases by corporations, individuals or associations in whose interests timber or stone entries are made in the Pacific Coast states, is, in substance, as follows:

"A number of locators form a company; one becomes solicitor, another a cruiser, while another masquerades in the guise of a capitalist, and tells in a confidential manner that he represents an East-manner that he represents an entries of not even a horse trail and hardly a decent foot path to get out, and we have a county road ordered, runnot the west. The big lumbering firm of Moore & Smith, with headquarters at San Francisco. Mr. Smith retired in not trying to open it. For my part, and the series of the have a county road ordered, runnot the trip to manner that he represents an Eastern mill concern. The solicitor and
capitalist travel together but their mill timber levels also purchased the capitalist travel together, but their mill, timber lands and railroad of give back that money in helping to from January first to the Denver the Humboldt Mill & Lumber Com- open up this great Coquille, Riverpriety of their being seen much in company. The mill operators give the 'glad hand' to the solicitors and recommend them to their friends and employes. Glowing stories are told the locators of guide for the solicitors and the mill, 7,000 acres of timber land and about 26 miles of railroad and its rolling stock. It is certain also that fifty thousand dollars farfeit has been put up on another deal and an another deal and another deal an another deal on an important mill and timber property, but which I am not as yet at liberty to mention.

The plenty of good days and now let us show our appreciation by getting out and working the road and not wait till the supervisor comes and drives as out to some supervisor comes and supervisor comes and drives as out to some supervisor comes and supervisor comes and drives as out to some supervisor comes and supervisor comes and drives as out to some supervisor comes and supervisor comes and drives as out to some supervisor comes and supervisor comes and supervisor comes and drives as out to some supervisor comes and supe According to the opinion of those best posted, this movement will not cease with the properties mentioned, but that there will be a general merging os the mill and lumbering plants of the county. It is certain that the near future is pregnant with important events in the lumber world of Humboldt.-Timberman. A FARMER.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 21 .- After ight experiments conducted with the greatest secrecy, Marconi anproblem of wireless trans-oceanic communication, and has successfully transmitted wireless messages from and bruised but not seriously the the shores of Canada to the coast may, and frequently does, demur. Very well, he is told that he can rement of this achievement was made Very well, he is told that he can readvertise and have 60 days more in which to secure the money, from some other source. This involves more expense, but he does it. At the end of the time, having failed to get the money, be some other source and failed to get the money and forwarded from the Governor-General of Canada to King Edward to the money, be some other source and failed to get them to the failed to get them to the failed to get them to gether before twelve. They had and forwarded from the Governor-General of Canada to King Edward traveled a round-about way and concluded to take a short cut home. VII of Great Britain and to the Just where they went is not alto-King of Italy. Dr. George R. Park-gether clear, but they were still on in, principal of Upper Canada Col-their home when darkness overtook lege, trustee of the Rhodes scholar- them. The night was wet, windy

Experiments Successful.

miles, while the timber holdings of

the company are listed at 12,500

greatest distance covered by wire-less telegraph scarcely exceeded and saw the lights of the searching 100 miles. Early in that year Mar-coni visited Newfoundland, and So they worried through the night from Signal Hill commenced ex- as best they could without shelter, faint signals of the letter "S," re- home at daylight. peated several times, were caught by ear only by the aid of telephones. Probably fifty men were out about half of the night in search of Later on Marconi, on the steam- the boys, and quite a number took ship Philadelphia, bound for up the search again in the morn-America, succeeced in establish- ing. So the boys were not the only a distance of 2100 miles. Trans- the affair .- Mail. oceanic messages also were received on board the Italian warship Cario Alberto, while the vessel lay with innumerable difficulties there, affair. but at last has succeeded in send-

successful tests was made.

was ordered to proceed to Venezuela, but, as her immediate deand the beam between 6 and 8 feet. parture would seriously delay Marconi's operations, the order was modified, and she was held at Sydfrom Tacoma and is now docked at

The cold storage ship Elihu
Thompson reached here Tuesday
from Tacoma and is now docked at

John Bright, and Taylor Bunch

The following message was sent by Marconi this evening:

and Eureka railroad's track at Alton to the town of Scotia and southard up Eel river valley some nine

Take Laxative Bromo Quintne Tablets ull druggists refund the money if it failsto cure E.W Grove's signature is on each

Please allow me a small space in

Lost Boys Come Home In The Morning.

Peter Scott, Willie Curtis, Albert four boys for whom searching parties night, came in about 9 o'clock yesterday morning, wet, hungry, tired worse for their night in the woods.

ships, was present when one of the and dark and any material progress tended. The program was as fol-Prior to December, 1901, the known which way to go.

periments with Cornwall, and on food or fire, their matches being December 12 and 13 of that year wet, and resumed the search for

ing communication with Cornwall, ones who suffered discomfort from

Thomas Blaine and wife were at anchor in Sydney harbor, on Gotober, 31, and since then Marconi has been perfecting the apparatus at Table Head. He met

John Blomquist has secured the ing a transoceanic wireless message contract to build three gasoline from Canada to Cornwall, a distance of 2300 miles.

Contract to build three gasoline launches. They will be for J. B. Davis, E. J. Coffelt and Stephen The Carlo Alberto some days ago Rogers. The length of the boats

ney until trans-Atlantic communica- the railroad wharf. Fish is being were on the affirmative. Frank tion was successfully accomplished. received at the ice plant at the rate Fish, Mack Baker, Jas. Hervey, Jr. She has sailed for Venezuela to take part in the blockade operations.

The following message was sent

Thompson can carry 300 tons of Coleman and Wm. Weekly gave the frozen goods.

J. Warren Quick, Marshfield's

"Glace Bay, C. B., Dec. 21, 1902. popular athlete and football play--Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of er, met with an accident at Bay

A Great Forward Movement.

Rev. Francis E. Clark, the found. er of the Christian Endeavor movement, is sending circulars to the state officers asking them to take your paper to state the condition of part in a great forward movement for 1903. An effort is to be made with a banner at the International Convention in Denver, and the successful societies will be placed

With a definite object, a ten per cent. increase, and a definite time, roll of honor.

Roosevelt Urged To Decline Honor

Washington, Dec. 23.-The formal proposals of Great Britain and drives us out to work. Even if we pute did not arrive here over night work a few hours each day or be-tween showers, and before we know Cabinet met, but it is expected it we will have a road through our that they will reach Washington in farms. Now neighbors, if we want this road opened we will have to being brought to bear upon the volunteer work, so let us get in and President to decline the invitations do all we can. We will be sur- to act as an arbitrator. This presprised at how soon we can open the sure come from the newspapers, from public men and from Senators and Representatives in Washington. Senator Cullom called at the State Department today with bundle of telegrams, all entering Campbell and George Manning, the of the President upon this arbitration scheme.

Gravel Ford Items-

L. A. Lawhorn drove about 500 It seems that they started out logs to the boom at the Bennett

The entertainment given by the

pupils of the Gravel Ford academy was a grand success and well at-

Recitation Jas, Hervey, Jr Recitation.....Lowell Bunch Tableau...... 'The Three Fates' Song......."Old Black Joe"
Reading......Gordon Shepherd
"Burdock's Music Box." Recitation Winnie Weekly "The Old Gray Hoss."

Song

Dialogue.....The Professor's
Morning Walk.
Lecture on Patent Medicine...

.....F. Hervey Reading Prof F. S. Bunch Recitation Joe Fish Instrumental Duet

This was followed by a debate on the question, "Resolved that the men of thought have been more beneficial to the world than the men

decision in favor of the negative.

A Cold Wave.

The forecast of sudden changes in of a two-thirds interest in Pacific unable to visit station here. Gov- ing his career on the gridiron. He hoarse voice and a heavy cough may was in some manner struck by a invade the sanctity of health in your Lumber Company's big plant at ernor-General sent me message for Scotia, together with over 12,000 His Majesty, King Edward, which I large timber on the head that came own home. Cautious people have a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure chased from private parties. The to England by means of wireless parehuser was Hiram C. Smith, of telegraphy with complete success. San Francisco, and two Eastern Should be glad to send a short mesgenties in a whose names do not yet sage from Canada to government appear, and the deal involves over if desired. I leave here very shortly a million dollars. The deal includes for my Cape Cod station."

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