WEDNESDAY FEB. 1. 18-2 J. F HALLORAN

Unjust and Hiegal.

APART from any political consideration, it is evident that the legic ance of such patents. by which the Interior Department pretends to justify the issuance of patents to the Northern does not rise to a sense of the re-Pacific Railroad company, for quirements of the section it reprelands on account of portions of sents, and in repeating the parrotthe road constructed long after like cry of "robbery" and "perthe time allowed by Congress, is jury," exhibits less a spirit of deone of the many peculiar things sire to know the truth than a willthat have in late years and in a ingriess to believe a falsehood. prior Administration distinguished There is no legalized robbery on the methods of that department in the Columbia river bar, nor exclumatters affecting the interests of sive privilege of running tugs on powerful corporations and especi- the bar. The editor of the States ally the Northern Pacific Railroad man has the privilege of putting company.

The logic is this: All railroad in the grantee the legal title to all the land contemplated by the grant; and the title does not revert to the United States on breach of condition without a declaration of forfeiture by Congress. Although the Northern Pacific company failed to complete the road within the time allowed, yet there has been no declaration of forfeiture by Congress on account of this breach of condition, there the land, and the Department may lawfully issue patents to the company for the land.

the granting act. But the prem- law the present session.

ises are false, the grant was not a present one. The Department knows that under a similar grant, . the Union Pacific Railroad company evades the payment of taxes circulation, and will not come into on millions of acres of land in Kansas and Nebrrska fully earned by the construction of the road years ago, but for which land they do not call for a patent until the same is sold to a tax-paying farmer. The company is able to evade the payment of taxes on the lands which it holds for higher prices, because the Supreme Court of the United States has three times decided that the title did not pass by the granting act; that the Exquisite Sentimental Valentines. title and ownership is in the United States until patents issue; that the condition was a condition precedent and not subsequent.

In every case where it has been held necessary for a declaration of forfeiture to cause the title to revert to the United States, it has been held that the title had already passed from the United States and vested in the grantee, and that the condition was subsequent and not precedent.

Every reason-assigned by the court for holding that title did not 30 Tons Best Foundry Coke; vest by the grant to the Union Pacific company, but vests only when the patents issue, is equally applicable to the grant to the Northern Pacific company; and several other valid reasons exist, not mentioned by the court.

No court has ever decided that a declaration of forfeiture is necessary to terminate the rights of the grantee in case of breach of condition precedent. Whatever credit Twines, Tents, Hose, Cotton Sail is due for making such a decision belongs to a Secretary of the Interior who is now understood to be the recepient of a portion of its logical results. It is one of the achievements of the Interior De- SAN FRANCISCO, - CAIFORNIA partment, which department has solved the problem of re-investing the United States with a title of which it was never divested. That department has recently, by its department has recently, by its railroad decisions, made many

equally meritorious contributions to the science of jurisprudence.

The Northern Pacific Railroad company has no claim to patents on account of portions of the road completed since July 4, 1877, that is valid by the roles of law or equity. There are no acts of Cougress and no judicial precedents that authorize or justify the issu-

THE Walla Walla Statesman on as many as he chooses. On the Combs, Brushes. other hand, vessels loading on grants are present grants, and vest | Puget Sound have to pay, and do pay pilotage and tonage in going. to sea; probably as much as in crossing the Columbia river bar. Call and examine quality and note prices.
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A Washington dispatch says it No one but a railroad lawyer, is stated with much positiveness or a partial Secretary of the Inte-that President Davis, of the Senrior and subservient subordinates, ate, favors the admission of Dakota could have perceived any relation into the Union. He thinks, it is between the premises and the last said, the southern portion of clause of the conclusion. The acts Dakota is entitled by reason of MEDICAL DISCOVERY of Congress authorize patents to population and other consideraissue on account of such portions tions to admission, and that it is of the read as were completed be- not a question for partisan considfore July 4, 1877; and not for eration. Judge Davis' vote, comsuch lands as the company may bined with that of the Republicans, possess the legal title; for if this would give the bill a majority, and were the case and the premises as Republicans control the House, courses parente might be is und it would appear that the measure immediately after the passage of has a good prospect of becoming a

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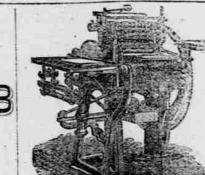
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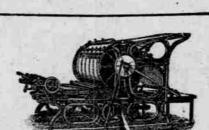
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