

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON. THURSDAY JANUARY 25, 1883. FORFEITURE OF THE ASTORIA LAND GRANT.

How Not to Do It. In Dickon's clever satire "Blank House," is given the workings of the circulator office, an institution which was the embodiment of inertia.

That in all cases where grants of lands by congress have been made to aid in internal improvements, and said lands have not been patented by the United States to the grantee where the grantee was a corporation, or where the lands were granted to the state, and said lands have not been disposed of by the state, and said grants have become subject to forfeiture, or resumption by the United States for any cause whatever, it shall be the duty of the attorney-general to cause suit or suits to be brought in the name of the United States in the proper court having jurisdiction, to obtain judgment declaring forfeiture or right of redemption by the United States of such lands as the case may be; which suit or suits shall be subject to trial or hearing like other suits, with right to writ of error or appeal by either party, as in other cases.

SECTION 2. That the provisions of the first section of this act shall not apply to the case of any railway (except as mentioned in section 1 of this act) in which, within one year preceding the passage of this act, any substantial progress in building the same has been accomplished in good faith, and shall be continued in the manner hereinafter mentioned, or in which, before the first day of December, 1882, there shall have been made any substantial progress in the building thereof, and which progress shall be continued in good faith, as hereinafter mentioned. The foregoing provisions of this section, limiting the application of section 1 of this act, shall cease, determine, and be of no effect in the case of every railway affected thereby, the building of which shall not be in good faith continued after the first day of December, 1882, to the number of miles in each year required by the act or acts granting such lands, or act or acts amendatory thereof, and in the manner so required until such railway shall be entirely completed.

SECTION 3. That nothing in this act shall be construed to be a performance or waiver of any other condition or requirement imposed upon any corporation or in respect of any such grant by the act or acts granting lands to or in aid of it, or amendatory thereof. In every case in which any corporation, or its lawful successor, being lawfully entitled so to do, shall not do the acts mentioned in section 2 of this act, it shall be the imperative duty of the attorney-general of the United States to proceed against it as provided in section 1 of this act.

A careful reading of this precious "bill" show that so far from affording redress or providing relief for settlers, this delightful document is so speciously worded that it constitutes a NEW GRANT TO THE RAILROAD COMPANIES OF NEARLY ONE HUNDRED MILLION ACRES MORE OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN. That pernicious bill, ostensibly one of justice, is really a covert cloak of the issue and a confirmation of added privileges. The boss that we reprint on the outside page is just so much entire fish ink, darkening the clear waters of reason and clouding the currents of debate.

We had not expected much from this congress; our state delegation have done and are doing all possible to further the efforts of our Astoria chamber of commerce and THE ASTORIAN to have the

Astoria land grant declared forfeited; but it would appear that the interests at stake cause the parties of the opposition most interested to retain legal talent of a high order. The "bill" we give above is clever. It is discreditably creditable to its author. It evinces a skillful knowledge of law and English that will justify the framer in demanding a handsome fee from the corporation benefited thereby. It has always been the argument of Henry Villard that he is the residuary legatee of the corporation to whom the Astoria land grant was originally given, and that he has a right to administer upon the estate. There is no doubt that the corporation of which Mr. Villard is the controlling spirit is the "lawful successor" to the corporation in question, though that fact does not involve the possession of unearned privileges, or powers hampered by restriction, but in the bill that is here printed are cunningly sandwiched four words which confirm all assumption of ownership in grants, lapsed or earned.

The bill may be concisely defined as "a bill to swindle the U. S. government out of \$500,000,000 worth of public land." To us of Astoria the taunting question "What are you going to do about it?" remains unanswered. We do not at present know. We had some hope from congress, which was, it appears, unfounded. THE ASTORIAN is the only paper in Oregon that has persistently agitated the matter of the Astoria land grant, thereby incurring the displeasure of those who by instinct and interest are opposed to such agitation. That makes no difference. Whether now or next year, or the year after that, our views on this subject will ultimately prevail. Temporary success can not perpetuate injustice. "For God is God and right is right; And right the day must win; To doubt would be disloyalty; To falter would be sin."

MARRIED. At Waterford, W. T., January 20th, 1883, by Rev. Winfield Scott, D. D., Howard Winter and Mrs. Julia L. Carman.

NEW TO-DAY. Proposals for Improving Astor Street.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Auditor and Clerk of the city of Astoria, until Monday, Feb. 5th, 1883, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the improvement of Astor street in McClure's Astoria, from the west side of Lafayette street to the east end of Astor street, in the manner provided by ordinance No. 48. Bids must state the price for improving in front of each lot separately. Each bid must also be accompanied by a guarantee signed by two responsible taxpayers to the effect that if the contract be awarded to such bidder, that he will, within 48 hours after notice of such award, enter into contract therefor with good and sufficient sureties for the faithful performance of the work. The right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved.

W. CASE. R. CARRUTHERS. C. J. TRENCHARD. Committee on Streets and Public Ways. Astoria, Oregon, January 23rd, 1883.

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Notice To The Public. I HAVE THIS DAY PURCHASED THE interest of J. J. Stokes, Jr., in the firm of Ford & Stokes. The business will be conducted under the same firm name as at present. F. E. STOKES, Astoria, Jan. 17th, 1883. 417K

Bids Received. BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE undersigned till the 27th inst., for hauling the Columbia Canning Company for the next season. THOS. DEALEY, Astoria, Jan. 22, 1883. Secretary. 414

Meeting Notice. THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF the Progressive Land and Building Association of Astoria will be held in Liberty Hall on the second Saturday in February at 7 P. M. W. L. McEWAN, Secretary. Astoria, Oregon, Jan. 20, 1883.

Notice. THE SCHOOL TAXES FOR SCHOOL District No. 9 are now due and payable at my office, in The Fisherman's Packing Company's Building. These taxes become delinquent thirty days from date. ROBERT HAMILTON, School Clerk. Upper Astoria, Jan. 5, 1883.

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Table listing salmon agents and products, including Wm. Hume, Fisherman's Packing Co., White Star Packing Co., Columbia Canning Co., James Williams & Co., Union Packing Co., Seaside Packing Co., Pacific Union Packing Co., Samuel Elmore, Pillar Rock Packing Co., And the control for 1883 of Joe Hume's Photo Brand of Columbia River Salmon, English & Co., British Columbia Packing Co., British American Packing Co., Capitol Packing Co., Phoenix Packing Co., Saison Packing Co., Courtland Packing Co., Jones & Anderson, Wachusett Packing Co.

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