

OBJECTIONS TO LEASING

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their being troubled with more neighbors than they now have?

If by act of congress this possibility is eliminated, is it not quite probable that the owners of leases could afford to amply reward present neighbors who live by cultivating the soil, to seek new fields for their agricultural ventures, and they, the stockmen, thus be left "miserable of all they survey"?

That settlement of our lands by people engaged in agricultural pursuit has in all ages of our national growth been claimed to be one of the strongest factors of our national greatness, and one of the best evidences of our national stability. Prohibition of such settlement by congress would call in question the truth of such claim. Would it not also bring into ridicule the efforts of boards of immigration, boards of trade, etc., to induce people to come to our Pacific Coast states by publication of immigration literature portraying the exceptional advantages the country offers in its ample supply of good land open for settlement; by sending exhibition cars containing samples of the incomparable products of our soil through all the populous regions of our country; by large appropriations of public funds to send commissioners and exhibits to all the great expositions with the single motive of increasing our population? Have not the natural advantages for livestock-raising always been one of the inducements held out to strangers?

And now it is discovered that the ranges have become so denuded by too great numbers of stock that the only remedy for their sorry condition is to partition them among the men who have been largely instrumental in the creation of such condition. This remedy, it is true, would cure the evil arising from migratory sheep herds passing from place to place, county to county, and state to state, of which Mr. Lusk so justly complains. But does not a safer remedy for this evil lie in interposition of state statutes levying prohibitory taxation or by enactment of state laws regulating importation or exportation of sheep?

Granting that our ranges are overstocked, would the leasing of them restore them to better condition? Would not the lessees naturally desire to graze all the stock their range would carry? Would they have such generous regard for their successors as to be induced to curtail the number of their cattle to the end that when their leases expired they could leave for the benefit of others a fresh range which they had taken in poor condition?

As to Mr. Lusk's claim that the present conditions are menacing to human life by reason of the strife between the sheep and cattle owners and the conflict of their interests, and can only be bettered by the methods he advocates I have to remark that the French Glen Cattle Company, of which he is president, has suffered the loss of human life, but not by reason of the presence of sheep or sheepmen in Harney county, but through the direct influence of a more dangerous element than that exists in all the sheepmen in Eastern Oregon. It is the same influence which has been responsible for many homicides in Harney county.

Peter French, the builder, the brains, the president and general superintendent of the French-Glen Cattle Company, was murdered in cold blood as the results of an influence having its origin not in controversy between sheep and cattle men, but in a jealous, unwarranted hatred of men who have the business capacity to acquire large property by business foresight and sagacity.

Under the leasing system there would doubtlessly be the same prejudice against the holders of large tracts as there now is against the owners by purchase, intensified, probably, by the claim that lessees had less property interest. Why would there not be the same spite and jealousy and hatred over actual or alleged infringement upon leased

lands as there now is concerning trespass on deeded lands?

That this dangerous condition is attributed by Mr. Lusk to conditions new, is a conclusion not warranted by the facts of its own history. In the very nature of things the interests of these two livestock industries must remain antagonistic. Congress can no more legislate them into harmonious relation than it could by legislative enactment suspend the law of gravitation.

If men set up shotgun defenses of their rights to certain portions of the public domain under the claim of priority of occupation, what sort of a defense would they not set up under a lease from the government? After the proposed partition become a fact, how would a sheepman get his herd of mutton to market, whose range lay far beyond those of numerous cattlemen, and which he would, of necessity, be compelled to cross? Is it not altogether likely that a renewal of hostilities would then and there occur? Law or no law, a herd of sheep could not camp in certain places; law or no law, it could not remain more than a certain length of time within the limits of a cattleman's leased range.

Then there would be contention over boundary lines and the alleged disregard thereof. Cattle would range from within the limits of their owner's lines and thereby become a trespasser.

The troubles and dangers incident to adverse interests and claims concerning lands, the title to which has passed from the government, would be multiplied by the gravity of exclusive right of occupancy of the public domain to individuals.

It is claimed that as the lease law works well elsewhere, no argument against it here should be considered. I am not familiar with the land laws of Australia, where it is said the ranges are, by law, partitioned, but I am sure the government there does not hold out every inducement to its citizens to go upon its public domain for the purpose of making permanent homes, and at the same time render its homestead laws utterly impracticable by disposing of all its unoccupied lands to other parties under other laws.

In Texas the ranges are partitioned under state laws, but she happens to be a state over which our public land laws do not extend, and with the disposition of the lands of which congress has nothing to do. Again, in Texas, the natural conditions render the existence of the two industries less antagonistic, for the reason that there are certain sections peculiarly adapted to one or the other, hence there is less of contact and less of infringement.

But the principal reason to be urged against the leasing scheme is that it will at once withdraw from settlement hundreds of thousands of acres of good land waiting only the hand of labor, stimulated by the comparatively new enterprise of irrigation; lands to which we are inviting and luring settlers by every inducement we can bring to bear, lands the early occupation, reclamation and cultivation of which every citizen interested in the growth of the population and wealth of the Pacific Slope hopes to witness; lands as fertile and productive when brought under the requisite condition of moisture as any of the world, and which will eventually contribute greatly to the strength of flow in the arteries and channels of our trade and commerce. Then will one acre of these lands produce more beef or mutton or wool than 15 do now.

In Iowa there is no partition of public domain, but she has more cattle than any other of our states. Bring the arid and semi-arid regions of Oregon under conditions possible, and she will raise and fatten more cattle than Iowa.

Additional Locals.

Silk waist and dress patterns at Miller & Thompson's.

Fresh groceries are now arriving for the Burns Cash Grocery.

Dr. Vulp returned from Portland on last Wednesday evening's stage.

H. M. Horton came in Wednesday evening from the railroad. While absent he visited several points, including Portland.

W. H. Burns has given up the Burns hotel and China Joe has leased the kitchen and dining room. Geo. Rose, we understand will take charge of the lodging part of the house.

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John Hoss and Tom Jenkins came in from the Stein Mountain section Monday and left on Tuesday's stage for Ontario. They are going out to dispose of their wool. Jenkins Bros. still have their 1900 clip at Ontario and it is Tom's intention to sell both clips if he can get a reasonable price. Mr. Hoss has his 1901 clip stored at Huntington.

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Sheriff's Sale.

Under and by virtue of a Warrant issued out of and under the seal of the county court of the state of Oregon for the county of Harney, to me directed and delivered, commanding to levy on the goods and chattels of the delinquent taxpayer named in the foregoing Tax List, attached, and if none be found, then on the real property as set forth and described in the said delinquent Tax List, or so much thereof as shall satisfy the amount of taxes charged thereon, together with the costs and expenses I have duly levied, having been able to find any goods or chattels belonging to the respective delinquent taxpayers hereinbefore named, I have sold the following described tracts and parcels of real estate set forth in said Tax List, first and being in Harney County, State of Oregon, and described and assessed as follows:

1900.

R. F. Acheson, personal property \$ 22 50
E. M. Boyson, Lots 4, 5 and 6 of sec 2, T 20 S, R 34 E.
E. L. Bunde, Ely SE qr, N 1/2 SE qr, sec 24, T 19 S, R 34 E.
John A. Bunsard, SE qr, N 1/2 SW qr, SW qr and lot 2, sec 17, T 21 S, R 31 and personal property 16 50

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Rev. A. J. Irwin will preach at Harney the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school every sabbath at 2 p. m.

There will be preaching services at the Poison Creek school house every 4th Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Rev. A. J. Irwin, pastor.

At the Presbyterian church Burns, Rev. A. J. Irwin pastor Devine services the third and fourth Sundays of each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 10 a. m. every Sabbath morning.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. United States Land Office, Burns, Oregon, July 1, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the hereinafter mentioned and described township plats have been received and filed in this office, to-wit: T 20 S R 40 E, T 20 S R 41 E, T 21 S R 43 E, T 21 S R 40 E, T 21 S R 41 E, T 21 S R 35 E, T 21 S R 42 E, T 20 S R 39 E. And that on and after the 12th day of August, 1901, filings will be received upon any and all lands embraced in said townships that are subject to private entry.

GEO. W. HAYES, Register. CHAS. NEWELL, Receiver.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. LAND OFFICE AT BURNS, OREGON. July 12, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Burns, Oregon, on August 28, 1901, viz: JOHN CRESSNEY, H. R. No. 1274, for the NE 1/4 SW 1/4 and Lot 2, 5, 6, and 7, Sec 18, T 20 S, R 22 E. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: SIMON LEWIS, ORLAND GRIFFIN, SCOTT HALEY, H. H. ELLIOTT, all of Harney County, Oregon.

GEO. W. HAYES, Register.

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