

IS AN OLD SUBJECT.

A Matter Which Interests the World at Large.

The silver question, old and threadbare as it may appear, and which has been apparently examined from every point of view until the reading public feel, no doubt, that anything said on the subject is in the nature of a chestnut. Yet like Banquo's ghost, it will not down, and occasionally some new argument comes up which further proves that in time the white metal must be reinstated as the money of the masses and by law, international or otherwise placed on a parity with gold.

The latest argument is from Ex-Senator W. E. Chandler, of New Hampshire, who is now chairman of the Spanish claims commission, and who has issued a signed statement urging the remonetization of silver at the ratio of 20 to 1 by the concurrent action of the United States, Great Britain, France and Germany. His card is as follows: "The simple and true way to enable China to pay her indemnity so the United States, England, Germany and France is for those nations to remonetize silver at a new ratio of 20 to 1. Silver is the metallic money of more than half the human race and has been slowly sinking toward its value as a metal only, and not as money, as gold would so fall if it were demonetized. Four thousand million of silver is becoming—has practically become—merchandise instead of money, which it has been from the dawn of civilization down to 1873. This demonetization is bringing poverty and distress to half the people on the globe. Remonetize and the misery will cease and China can easily pay. Moreover, it is best for the United States to be wise in time. When the present bubble of fictitious capitalization, exaggerated values and inflated currency bursts and a money panic follows there will be a mad rush for the only real money—that which is made of metal—and that money has been reduced one-half in quantity during the last third of a century."

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JOEL G. SHANNON, of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1866, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 sec. No. 10 in township No. 11 south, range No. 38 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Chas. H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner at Sumpter, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 15th day of April, 1903. He names as witnesses: Van Rensselaer Mead, William A. Green, Edward Reed, and Ralph Mead, all of Sumpter, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 15th day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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JOSEPH RYAN, of Sumpter, county of Baker, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1870, for the purchase of the s 1/2 sec. 1/4 of section No. 8, and n 1/2 s 1/4 of section No. 17 in township No. 11 South, range No. 37 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Chas. H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner at Sumpter, Oregon, on Thursday, the 9th day of April, 1903. He names as witnesses: Timothy J. Ryan, Robert Patterson, Peter Soards and Daniel Rogers, all of Sumpter, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 9th day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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TIMOTHY J. RYAN, of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1878, for the purchase of the n 1/2 s 1/4 of section No. 9 in township No. 11 south, range No. 37 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Chas. H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner at Sumpter, Oregon, on Thursday, the 9th day of April, 1903. He names as witnesses: Joseph Ryan, Robert Patterson, Peter Soards, and Daniel Rogers, all of Sumpter, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 9th day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 14, 1903. 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 Charles H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner, at Sumpter, Oregon, on March 7, 1903, viz: H. E. No. 846.

WALTER H. VAN DUYN, of Sumpter, Oregon, for the ne 1/4 nw 1/4 section 12, township 9 S, R 17 E W M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John A. Johnson, William E. Weed, Marion Beamer, and Edwin J. Young, all of Sumpter, Oregon. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, January 10, 1903. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by James D. Kennet, contestant, against homestead entry No. 2869, made December 27, 1899, for e 1/2 s 1/4 sec. 15, s 1/4 s 1/4 sec. 14, and n 1/2 s 1/4 sec. 21, Township 10 S, Range 37 E W M, by Charles Trimble, contestee, in which it is alleged that Charles Trimble has wholly abandoned said tract for more than six months last past, and abandoned said tract and left this section of the State more than two years last past. That he never at any time cultivated and improved said tract, as required by the homestead law. The only improvements that he ever made on said tract he built a small cabin, and that said cabin has been abandoned and gone to wreck, that said alleged a settler on the said land was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States, as a private, officer, seaman, or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 24, 1903, before C. H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner, at Sumpter, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at Sumpter, Oregon, at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 28, 1903, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in La Grande, Oregon. The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 24, 1902, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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JOHN A. WILSON, of Baker City, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1865, for the purchase of the s 1/4 of section No. 21 in township No. 11 south, range No. 39 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before A. B. Combs, Jr., County Clerk, at Baker City, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 18th day of March, 1903. He names as witnesses: James Wood, Louis Sommer, William Griffin and Isaac Baer, all of Baker City, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 18th day of March, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Dec. 27, 1902. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

ALBERT L. GRANT, of Baker City, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1877, for the purchase of the se 1/4 of section No. 30 in township No. 11 south, range No. 20 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before A. B. Combs, Jr., County Clerk, at Baker City, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 18th day of March, 1903. He names as witnesses: Louis Sommer, James Wood, Adolph Newberger, and Miles Lee, all of Baker City, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 18th day of March, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, January 5, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

GEORGE W. WRIGHT, JR., of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1872, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 section No. 27 and s 1/4 s 1/4 and w 1/2 s 1/4 of section No. 22 in township No. 11 south, range No. 38 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner at Sumpter, Oregon, on Friday, the 27th day of March, 1903. He names as witnesses: Van Rensselaer Mead, William A. Green, George W. Wright, Sr., John Shields, all of Sumpter, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 27th day of March, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, December 22, 1902. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land states by act of August 4, 1892,

GEORGE WRIGHT, of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1869, for the purchase of the w 1/2 s 1/4 and n 1/2 s 1/4 of section No. 27 in township No. 11 south, range No. 38 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Chas. H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner at Sumpter, Oregon, on Saturday, the 21st day of March, 1903. He names as witnesses: Van Rensselaer Mead, William A. Green, John Shields, Finley McDonn, II, all of Sumpter, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 21st day of March, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, December 11, 1902. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

LOUIS SOMMER, of Baker City, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1874 for the purchase of the n 1/4 s 1/4 of section No. 28 in township No. 11 South range No. 40 E W M, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before A. B. Combs, Jr., County Clerk, at his office in Baker City, Oregon, on Saturday, the 14th day of March, 1903. He names as witnesses: James Wood, John A. Wilson, William Griffin, Isaac Baer, all of Baker City, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 14th day of March, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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