

SILVER SHIPMENTS IN 1902.

Amounted to Over Five Millions—Fixed Ratio Imperatively Necessary.

As showing the influence silver has on international commerce, the following taken from a London, England, financial paper is of interest. Although the Empire possesses in the east the biggest silver mine in the world, it is generally letting the control of the silver market pass from London to New York. Shipments until now have been almost exclusively made from America to London, and from thence to India, and also to China. A large part of the silver was also sent from America to Hamburg, and thence to China. Now direct shipments are being made from San Francisco via Manila direct to Shanghai and Calcutta. Broken Hill could supply India and China better than any American ports, as it has a shorter route and better service; and yet silver commands a better price in America than in Australia.

A very good argument in favor of plying some ratio of value on the silver dollar which is used by Oriental nations to such a large extent. If the United States would hold the ballance of that trade, such a ratio should be fixed.

It was the early fluctuations of silver in the manipulated London market that lost the silver shipping trade to England, and it was because the price of silver did not fluctuate so early or so often in the New York market that the United States got control of direct shipments. Subsequently, however, New York followed London's lead, and if some stability is not given to the white metal there is a danger of losing not only the shipments of silver, but also the trade we have enjoyed with profit for so many years with Mexico and Oriental nations.

The importance of the silver carrying trade and the magnitude of the exports may be gathered from the fact that the imports of the metal into silver using countries in 1902 amounted to \$574,627,323.

And this was almost exclusively mined in and shipped from gold standard countries which ask silver using countries to buy their manufactured articles and merchandise, not at the commercial value of the silver they sold to these countries, but at the gold standard value.

The wisdom of Mexico in refusing to adopt the gold standard is apparent in the following sentence in its recent note to the gold standard powers asking for a stability of exchange between gold and silver countries:

"The adoption by Mexico of a gold currency would cause the continued depreciation of an article which constitutes nearly one-half of her exports, and would impose a seriously increased demand upon the gold stock of the world."

The Mexican government fosters her greatest industry, silver mining. That was once a profitable industry in the United States, when silver had a fixed value.—Mining and Engineering Review.

For Lowney's candies, fine chocolates, bon bons, Key West, Havana and domestic cigars, tobacco, pocket knives, stationery, cider, fruits, etc., do not fail to call at Sturgill's. Mill Street, near Granite.

The celebrated Gund's—"the beer of good cheer"—always on draught at Dunphy's The Club.

Shoes of all kinds at Neill Mercantile company's.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Dec 19, 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,

OLIVER TIBBS,

of McEwen, county of Baker, state of Oregon has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1901, for the purchase of the nw 1/4 sw 1/4 of section No. 5 in township No. 10 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 Frank L. Moore, United States Commissioner, at Baker City, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 1903. He names as witnesses: Alex Izett, of McEwen, Oregon; William A. Green, of Sumpter, Oregon; Charles Tibbs, of McEwen, Oregon; Robert N. Service, 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 10th 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 7, 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,

CATO J. JOHNS,

of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1815 for the purchase of the nw 1/4 nw 1/4 of Sec. No. 18, 20, 22, and 24, sec. No. 20, and 2 1/2 sec. No. 20 in T.P. No. 9 S., R. 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 Charles H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner, at Sumpter, Oregon, on Thursday, the 2nd day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Van Rensselaer Mead, Walter J. Mills, John Riggs, Andrew J. Stinson, 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 2nd day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, January 12, 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,

WILLIAM C. WILEY,

of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1841, for the purchase of the sec 1/2 of Section No. 19 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 3rd day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Van Rensselaer Mead, William A. Green, James Collins 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 3rd day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 27, 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,

WILLIAM HILL,

of McEwen, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1902 for the purchase of the n e 1/4 n e 1/4 of section No. 25, in township No. 10 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 A. B. Combs, Jr., County Clerk of Baker county, at Baker City, Oregon, on Friday, the 17th day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Peter Hogenson, Joseph Neilson and Rutherford B. Halstead, of McEwen, Oregon, and Louis J. Lewis, 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 17th day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 27, 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,

ALBIN SELIN,

of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1900, for the purchase of the sw 1/4 nw 1/4, w 1/2 sw 1/4 and sec 1/2 sw 1/4 of sec. No. 20 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 19th day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: William A. Green, Van Rensselaer Mead, Edward Reed, 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 19th day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 22, 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,

JOEL G. SHANNON,

of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1896, for the purchase of the n e 1/4 of 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.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 21, 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,

JOSEPH RYAN,

of Sumpter, county of Baker, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1890, for the purchase of the s 1/2 se 1/4 of section No. 8, and n 1/2 n e 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.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 21, 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,

TIMOTHY J. RYAN,

of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1888, for the purchase of the n w 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.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Jan. 27, 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,

JAMES W. LONG

of Dayton, county of Columbia, state of Washington, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1910, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 of section No. 20, 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 Friday, the 17th day of April, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Van Rensselaer Mead, William A. Green, Ralph Mead, and Joel G. Shannon, 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 17th day of April, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, February 9th, 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,

ROSE A. CALL,

of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 1905, for the purchase of the w 1/2 s e 1/4, section No. 6, and n e 1/4 of section No. 7, in township No. 10 south, range 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 her claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner, at Sumpter, Oregon, on Saturday, the 9th day of May, 1903.

She names as witnesses: Eugene Brown, Thomas Moore, Melvin Clark and Cornelius S. Van Duyn 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 May, 1903. E. W. BARTLETT, Register.

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

United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, January 2, 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,

JOHN A. WILSON,

of Baker City, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1886, for the purchase of the s e 1/4 of section No. 21 in township No. 11 south, range No. 30 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, 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,

ALBERT L. GRANT,

of Baker City, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1827, for the purchase of the sec 1/2 of section No. 30 in township No. 11 south, range No. 30 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. 1812, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 section No. 27 and s e 1/4 s e 1/4 and w 1/2 s e 1/4 of section No. 23 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. 1805, for the purchase of the w 1/2 s e 1/4 and n 1/2 s w 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 McDonnell, 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. 1810 for the purchase of the s w 1/4 of section No. 28 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 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.