STATE VACANT LANDS
23,000,000 ACRES

Homeowner travel into Oregon has come constantly to seek where these people are to find homes in the state, meaning inquiring of the opinion that all the good land in Oregon has been taken up, says the Portland Telegram. The fact is, in fact, is demonstrated by the figures published in the above, which show that the state of Oregon has more than 23,000 acres of land yet open, all classes still open for entry. Title to fully one-third the area at the state yet remains with the homesteader. Of course, it is not maintained that all of this land is suitable for use, but much of it is of a quality that will bear con
version into homes, which is rare, indeed possible under the homestead act.
Throughout the 33 counties of Oregon these lands are distributed and Union county alone has 133,825 acres yet subject to entry.
In addition to the above, it is esti-
mated that there are fully 250,000 acres of state land yet undisposed. There are included in the 16th and 30th section of every township, or land in line third. The lands are in the 16th and 30th section of every township, or land in line third. The lands are in
matically, issued a piece of printed matter descriptive of the camp or the district. Individual prospects and the newspapers have done it all.

Cleaver Brothers' Chicago office.

Cleaver Brothers have opened ad
vertisements in Papers in all cities in
illustrated, 293 Dearborn street, Chicago, which is in charge of Mr. Cleaver. They are financing the Indi
ans Mining company, owning a cop
pany in Upper Canada, which has been made in these columns. They are also owners of the Pacific City district, are dealing in mining and timber lands. In a correspondence to The Miner, Mr. Cleaver says that he is doing a big business and extending an invitation to all of his Oregon friends and acquaintances to call on him when in Chicago.

If Your Are Not Particular.
Don't travel over the Illinois Central, as any old road will do you and we don't want your patronage, but if you are particular and want the best and mean to have it, ask the ticket agent to route you via the Illinois Central, the road that runs through solid restitute tracks in St. Paul, Omaha, Chicago, St.
Louis, Memphis and New Orleans.

A new addition charge is made for a seat in our reclining chair cars, which are fitted with lavatories and smoking rooms, and have a porter in attendance.
Rates via the Illinois Central are the lowest and we will be glad to quote them in connection with any circumstantialine. J. C. LINDSAY, T. F. A. P. A. 142 Third street, Portland, Oregon.

DREDGE BUILDERS ARE ALL BUSY

Captain Robert Winters, manager of the New England Dredge company, is receiving letters from Boston, where he went earlier with the officials of this company. He reports that the com
missions growing out of the death of Mr. Robt, who organized the company, have all been cleared up and the company is now abs
olutely in a position to proceed with the development of its property with additional dredges.

It has been determined to put on two machines of the greatest capaci
ties. They will be the New Oreg

ONE-YEAR, ANY-COMMISSION

A recent press dispatch from Ash-
land, this state, tells the following story: Compensation of a suit at law, which has attracted un
usual interest in this state, has just been accomplished and the case dismissed and from

The suit was known as the "tin can case," and involved the ownership of a sum of money found in a tin can buried under an old chicken house on the farm of Roberts & O'Neil, in the central part of the Rogue river valley, some dozen or more years ago. The Danielson boys, then small kids, were engaged, according to their story, in cleaning out the chicken house, when they found the can of money, which they afterward estimated to amount of $700 in value, being $20, $10 and $5 gold pieces. The boys took the money to the farmhouse, who gave them a nickel and told them the Lord would have it back to them.

Years rolled by and the boys de
cided to bring a suit to recover the money which was never to be heard of again, and the suit was commenced. The case has been in the courts for some time, being thrown out on a techni
ericality, carried to the supreme court, and finally the case was decided and agreement of trial jury fol
owing, until now, just before the matter was to come up again. It has been announced that the case has been settled out of court by the payment of the sum of $8000 by Roberts & O'Neil to the Danielson boys, each side paying their own law expenses, which have been quite considerable.

Robert S. O'Neil is a wealthy bus
ness man of farmers of this valley, and of course, he is well-known, having been accused on any more serious charge than that, perhaps, of being the possessor of a little too tightly to make themselves unpopular. He is not in the habit of having the suit settle.

It was said that the compensation was awarded the defendants only out of de
ference to Mrs. Roberts, who is quite aged and whose health was threatened by the stress of the trial of the case and the conse
quent publicity occasioned her.

Strong Railroad Argument.

L. Hirschland, the wholesale liquor man from Baker City, passed through Sumpter this afternoon on his way home to his homestead. "The strongest argument," said he, in favor of the Northern Pacific, which he owns near this place, is furnished by the condition of the road up the glitch. It's awful.

In an account of the trip, in December, the ground froze to a depth of three feet. It is waiting to be extended in order that there's practically no bottom."