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LAKEVIEW, OREGON, JAN. 29, 1903.

RANGE CATTLE AND LAND LEASING.

It is quite evident from the following from the Oregonian that that paper does not favor a land leasing bill. It does not seem now that Congress will pass any kind of a bill that will allow the big stock man to gobble up the range from the small stockman.

The Oregonian says:
Range cattle interests are continually crying for measures that will preserve their business. Free use of the Government domain has been boldly demanded as a right, and when those first established in any region have felt competition they have frequently not hesitated to fence public land and by might take advantages that were not theirs by right. Now that this species of usurpation will not longer be tolerated, there is a desperate effort to get sanction of law for the practice. It is now to be called land leasing. The stockmen are striving to get in this manner the control of vast areas, under conditions that will enable them to use the land without limit and at a much less cost than would be involved in its ownership.

Livestock interests of this country are large and are entitled to consideration. But the general public also has interests that are quite as important to protect. The whole theory of the stockmen's contention is that the grazing country of the great West is fit only for the use now made of it. Granting that assumption, their reasoning has merit, but that is not a sound basis. It cannot be assumed that the best possible use is now made of the soil of Oregon or Montana, or even of Nebraska. Wide stretches now given over to range stock will some day be occupied by small farms which will have more livestock than are supported there, and in addition all the products and activities of general agriculture.

Efforts toward land leasing are not directed to the development of a new country. They rather tend to arrest industrial development by making the conditions unattractive to the settler and holding the land to uses that are rough and wasteful. We should have irrigation to reclaim the land and settlers to occupy it. Then there would be no trouble about the beef supply. But if the ranges are tied up with leases to cattlemen, it will be a long time before their hold is shaken off again. The livestock industry should not ask the Government to endow it at so heavy an expense to the general public.

An old hen belonging to Mrs. M. A. Stormont, an Iowa woman, began laying late in the fall and was so persistent that she laid 29 eggs before she concluded to stop. During all this time she had neglected her mourning and when she finally got ready to shed her feathers it was the middle of winter. In a short time she was almost bare and suffering from the cold. The Misses Stormont, seeing her predicament, and appreciating the value of her services, determined to come to her rescue. They took her measurements, made her a suit of flannels to fit, and then released her. Her ladyship took the matter philosophically and hustled off apparently comfort-

In the death of Congressman Tongue the State of Oregon sustains a great loss; a loss that at this particular time will be practically impossible to supply. No inexperienced man can step into his place and do the work Oregon had reasons to expect from him, and which to him, with his stong hold upon his colleagues in the house, would have been a much lighter task than his successor will find it. Mr. Tongue earned his advancement in the house by the hardest kind of work. He was true to his state and the Indian war veterans, as well as many other citizens have reason to remember him with the kindest feelings.

Myra White is known as the queen of the gypsies. She lives at Terre Haute, Ind., but with the opening of the spring members of the party are scurrying about the towns picking up nickles and dimes for fortunes. The queen is not a fortune teller, but clings to the dress of the gypsy. She is a woman of education and while she makes her home in the wagon during the summer months, the little room assigned to her is made attractive by books and pictures. When the summer months are ended she returns to her home and spends the winter in Terre Haute.

The Salem Statesman is making a big fight for Ex-governor Geer for the United States Senatorship. When it is all over, and the Ex-Governor gets it—in a large plexus of the nervous system,—the aforesaid paper can say: "Well, we did all we could for you Thurston, but we didn't expect you would be elected anyway. Your election last spring was probably what did it. The people don't like to see one man run for the same office twice within so short a time," or words to that effect.

Bishop Scannell of Omaha deplors the tendency of the times which places women in business instead of keeping her in the household. He said in an address to young women the other day that the stringency in the domestic labor market was a direct result of the education of today, which is training girls to despise menial tasks. The natural result of such education would be a decline, physically said, whose place in business was being usurped by women, would have to become domestics to preserve the social equilibrium.

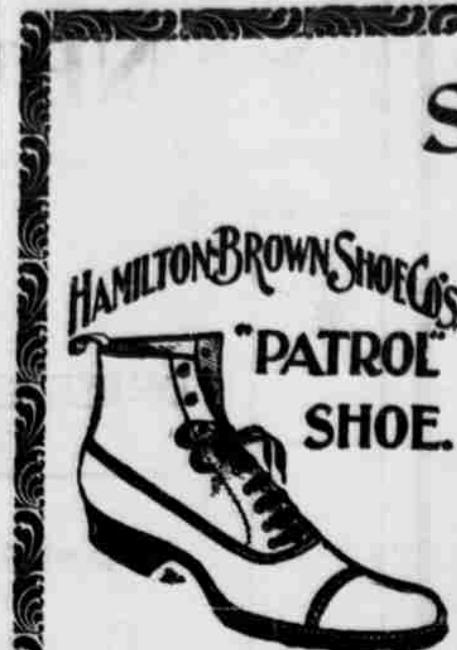
A few days ago a man in New York gave up \$5,000 to the Conscience Fund. It seems he had been cheating the assessor for years in giving in his property and to ease his mind figured up about what his taxes would amount to if his property had been honestly returned. Wonder how much of a fund Lake county would have if some of our wealthy men would get honest for one season in the matter of returning their property to the assessor.

There has been a great increase of insanity in Great Britain, said to be due to consanguineous marriages. The medical men and the clergy are both taking active steps to prevent such marriages.

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TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, Nov. 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, Samuel O. Cressler, of Lake City, county of Modoc state (or territory) of California, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1659, for the purchase of the N¹/₂ S¹/₂ E¹/₂ of Sec. 18, T¹/₂ 40 S., R. 22 E., W. 3 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 the Register and Receiver of this office at Lakeview Oregon on Monday the 30th day of April 1903.

He names as witnesses: William A. Miller of Lake City Cal., James C. Dodson of Adel Or. and Morris Wingfield and Eldon Woodcock of Lakeview Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 30th day of April 1903.
JAN 28 E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, Dec. 12, 1902. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act 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, the following persons have this day filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

Margaret Hodes of Albany, county of Linn, State of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1658 for the purchase of the sec 14, sec 26 tp 38 s., r 14 e., w m.
Carl Hodes of Albany, county of Linn, State of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1659 for the purchase of the sec 14, sec 26, tp 38 s., r 14 e., w m.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish their claim to said land before J. W. Hamaker, U. S. Commissioner at Klamath Falls, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 23d day of April, 1903.

They name as witnesses: Jacob Wraga of Corvallis, Oregon, Owen T. McKendree, of Olete, Oregon, Charles Barnard of Bly, Oregon, and Joseph C. Smith, of Klamath Falls, Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 23d day of April 1903.
JAN 19-2 E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

TIMBER LAND NOTICE.

United States Land Office, Lakeview, Oregon, Nov. 28, 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 the act of August 4, 1892, the following persons have this day filed in this office their sworn statements, to-wit:

James H. Owen, of Bly, county of Klamath, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1616 for the purchase of the NE¹/₂ SW¹/₂, N¹/₂ SE¹/₂ and SE¹/₂ SE¹/₂ Sec 14 T 37 S R 16 E W M.
Mary E. Owen of Bly, county of Klamath, state of Oregon, sworn statement No. 1617 for the purchase of the N¹/₂ of N¹/₂ Sec 26 T 37 S R 16 E W M.

That they will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish their claim to said lands before the Register and Receiver of this office at Lakeview, Oregon, on Tuesday the 31st day of April, 1903.

They name as witnesses: Creed H. McKendree, Oliver W. Howard, J. L. Tull, William H. Casebeer, all of Bly, Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 31st day of April, 1903.
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