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DECISION.

In Favor of the Government.

Many Thousands of Acres Go Back to the Government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Chief Justice Fuller announced the opinion of the supreme court in the case of the United States vs. the Oregon & California, and Oregon Central companies, involving titles to valuable lands near Portland, Or., reversing the decision of the circuit court of appeals for the ninth circuit.

The case is what is known as the quadrant case. The decision of the circuit court for the district of Oregon found in the favor of the government's contention, but was reversed by the circuit court of appeals. The chief justice's opinion in turn reverses the circuit court of appeals, and sustains the circuit court and the government contention. About 200,000 acres in Washington county are involved in this decision.

In the case of Charles W. Nordstrom vs. the state of Washington, the opinion of the state supreme court was affirmed. Nordstrom is under sentence to be hanged for murder. This decision will have the effect of confirming the sentence. He made an effort to have the verdict of the court below reversed because the proceedings against him were based on a process of information rather than an indictment by the grand jury. The cases of Harry Kramer, charged with murder, and Adolph Krng, defalcation, also from the state of Washington, were dismissed by the court.

OTHER DECISIONS.

The decision of the United States supreme court in the quadrant case, settles the title to about 200,000 acres of valuable land in Washington county. More than 500 settlers occupy the land and they will now be enabled to get a title to the lands.

The land in question consists of a quadrant shaped tract having a radius of ten miles, situated adjacent to a point above the railroad which was started to run from Portland to Astoria; stopped and turned at a right angle and run south to McMinnville. The government claimed that there were two roads to which the grants were given, the Portland and Astoria road, and the one running from Hillsboro to McMinnville, while the railroad company claimed that the whole was one continuous road and they were entitled to a grant ten miles in width along the whole line.

When the grant, on the line from Hillsboro to Astoria lapsed, many settlers, considering this quadrant tract government land, took up homesteads and pre-emption claims from the government. Many who had bought claims from the railroad company quit paying them and entered their claims under the law as public lands and some have kept on paying the railroad company till this time. The government finally brought suit in the United States district here to quiet title to these lands and the cases was decided in favor of the government by Judge Bellinger some three years ago. The company appealed the case to the circuit court of appeals, and it reversed Judge Bellinger's decision. The government then appealed to the supreme court of the United States, which has now reversed the court of appeals and sustained Judge Bellinger. The settlers who have taken their claims under the government will be rejoiced at this decision. Those who have been paying the railroad company will probably endeavor to secure a return of their money, and there will be interminable litigation over the matter.

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STAYTON.

Miss Matty Pebler of Portland, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Thurst Kerns, this week.

Mr. Frank Thomas has returned from Salem, where he has resided for the past three months.

A. D. Gardner is having an additional room built to his residence.

Messrs. Mager and Davenport have bills out for a masquerade to be given on Christmas Eve at the opera house.

Mr. Balsley made a business trip to Salem last week.

Work was begun last week upon the bridge which was damaged by the high water several weeks ago, the approaches on both sides of the river were washed down stream and torn to pieces.

Mrs. Cross is quite ill at her home on Fifth street, with blood poison. There is serious danger of her death resulting from same.

Miss Sadie Thomas, who has been quite ill for the past few weeks, is on a fair road to recovery.

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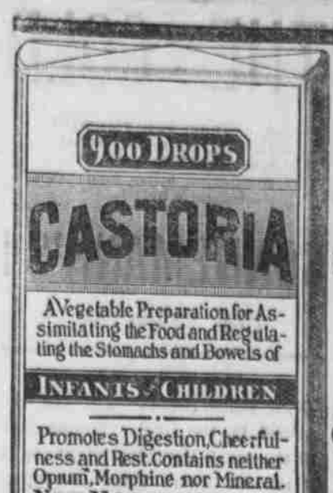

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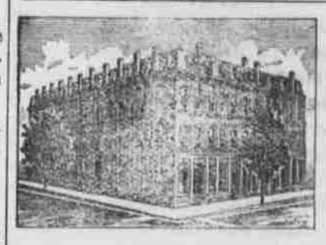

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