

OPPOSE LAND LEGISLATION.

Special Correspondence.

Washington, Nov. 12.—Senator Hansbrough of North Dakota, Senators Warren and Clark of Wyoming, Representatives Shafroth, Mondell, French and other legislators from the great stock-growing section of the west are quoted as being directly opposed to the campaign for the repeal of the land laws; but are forced to agree that their amendment is necessary. This, they say, with strict enforcement, will prevent land stealing.

The fact which has brought the subject into prominence is the statement of the commissioner of the land office that 20,000,000 acres of the public lands are being absorbed into private ownership every year. At this rate a very few years more will see all the reclaimable, tillable lands of the west taken up, as much is of course mountain and gulch, unfit for agriculture.

To preserve the integrity of the desert land act in particular, the western stockmen are bending every effort, and are contending that, if enforced, this law is all right and works in the interest of the homemaker. Doing it? With every one of its provisions absolutely complied with, a man may take up 320 acres of government land and his wife may take up another 320 acres—480 acres, or a mile square, for a home, taken from the public domain. In California, in Utah and throughout the irrigated sections of the arid region, prosperous homes can be found upon 100-acre farms, upon 30-acre farms and even upon 10 and 20-acre farms.

The desert land law, even if complied with, is more in the interest of the land grabber and the speculator than that of the homemaker and the settler.

—E. MITCHELL.

BATTLE IS ON OVER PUBLIC DOMAIN.

Special Correspondence.

Washington, Nov. 12.—The battle is on between the friends and the foes of existing laws governing the disposal of the public domain in the west. Those who uphold the present laws frankly confess that they have been used, in numerous instances, to facilitate private speculation in public property and to lay the foundation of monopoly in agricultural and timber lands. But they insist that this is not the fault of the laws, but the manner in which they are administered. And their remedy for present evils is—"Enforce the laws."

Those on the other side of the controversy insist that the timber and stone act, the desert land act, and the commutation clause of the homestead act simply cannot be enforced in the sense which the defenders and apologists of these statutes are supposed to mean. That is to say, they cannot be enforced in a way to prevent their continued use as instruments of speculation and monopoly.

For instance, take the matter of timber entries. A citizen comes from Michigan or Illinois to exercise his right in acquiring a quarter section of timber on the eastern slope of the Sierras in northern California. The law gives him this privilege, provided he acts for himself and desires to obtain the quarter-section for his own use and benefit. And he swears that such is the case. He gets the timber for \$2.50 per acre, though it may be worth from 20 to 50 times as much for commercial purposes.

PURCHASE MADE IN BAD FAITH.

The moment the title passes from the government to the individual, the individual turns around and sells his property to a syndicate which is buying timber right and left at prices slightly in advance of what the government has received, but representing only a small fraction of its actual value. By this method, something like 100,000 acres of the finest timber in the Sierra Nevada mountains have been taken from public ownership and created into a consolidated holding by a single syndicate during the past six months or two years.

It is no exaggeration to say that it is actually worth tens of millions of dollars more than it has cost the syndicate. This is on the basis of its value as timber alone, regardless of its importance in conserving the water supply of streams useful for irrigation.

It is idle to talk about "enforcing the law" in such a case. The citizen swears that he takes the land in good faith, for "his own use and benefit." But when the title is securely vested in him, he sells it. He has a right to sell it. There is no possible way of proving that he acted merely as a tool for the timber syndicate. The law gave him the right to sell it. And that is just the reason that a great and growing public sentiment demands that the law shall be repealed. To say that "the law is good enough if properly enforced" is equivalent to saying that the process of converting public property into private property must go on until every acre of timber belonging to the government has been absorbed by syndicates and corporations.

A NATURAL RESOURCE BECOMES A SYNDICATE PROPERTY.

And why "by syndicates and corporations"? Simply because a timber claim in the remote districts yet open to entry is not a poor man's proposition. Railroads must be built to make it accessible. Mills must be erected and operated with large capital. And the competition of vast enterprises already under way must be met and overcome. Under such circumstances, there is but one customer whom the timber claim can be sold. That customer is the monopoly which has selected that particular field for the scene of the speculation.

The foes of the existing timber and stone act realize that the desert land act, that timber must continue to be cut and lumber to be supplied for commercial purposes. They say that the needs would be fully met if the government should retain title and control of these timber lands and sell the lumber to lumber manufacturers at something like what it is worth.

The present law is an injury upon the American people. A private citizen who managed his estate as Uncle Sam manages his would be promptly informed of the insane asylum and have a guardian placed in charge of his affairs. The law should be repealed and followed by a common sense business policy.

WILLIAM E. SMYTHE.

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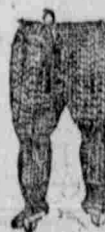
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