



REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA LAND CLAIMS.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, May 22, 1860.

SIR: In answer to the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 23rd of March, I have the honor to transmit herewith a detailed statement of the amount expended for the defense of private land claims in California...

It is proper that this statement should be accompanied by an explanation of the circumstances under which these appropriations were asked for, of the purposes to which they have been devoted, and the results accomplished.

Under the act of 1851, to ascertain and settle private land claims in California, eight hundred and three claims, comprising between ten thousand one hundred and fifty-eight square miles of territory, were presented to the board of land commissioners...

A very large portion of the best mineral and agricultural regions in California, the ports, commercial points, sites for fortifications, light-houses, and other national purposes, were covered by Mexican grants, real or fabricated. In all the territory acquired or purchased from Mexico, there seemed to be not an island of place for a fort, a custom-house, hospital, or post office, but to be purchased upon his own terms from some private individual...

Under the last administration, a large appropriation had been made for the purpose of examining records in the city of Mexico. That examination led to the conclusion that even in the archives of that government had in some way been an instrument of sanctioning frauds against the United States.

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In the month of February, 1858, Mr. Stanton was employed, and sent to San Francisco under instructions, a copy of which is hereto annexed, marked A. Mr. Stanton immediately departed for California, and was engaged there for nearly a year, until the final decision of the Linscott case by the district court in favor of the United States.

A portion only of the archives of the Mexican government had been placed in the custody of the surveyor general. There had been no collation or translation of them, and many of the most important were scattered over the State—some in the custody of authorized officers, some in the possession of individuals, and others in boxes which nobody guarded, and which had never been opened. Their value to the United States, as evidence in these land cases, was almost wholly unknown.

The archives thus collected furnish irrefragable proof that there had been an organized system of falsifying land titles carried on for a long time in California by Mexican officials; that forged and perjured had been reduced to a regular occupation; and that the making of false grants, with the subornation of false witnesses to prove them, had become a trade and a business.

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but of peculation also in the government, had been carried upon under these auspices, with a view of extorting millions from the United States for titles necessary to defend the national possessions on the Pacific, and to light and guard the commerce of the coast.

By these investigations, and by the collection, collation, and translation of the archives, the government acquired the means of demonstrating these frauds, of distinguishing valid grants from those which had been fabricated, and have been enabled to make a successful defense against every fraudulent claim that has come or is likely to come before the Supreme Court.

A diligent investigation of the records of the former government revealed the whole system of Mexican land law, and there also could be found the true history of the department, the dates of the several political revolutions, and the movements of the principal men in and out of office. The historical facts thus ascertained furnished the most decisive means of corroborating the assertions of those who claimed under honest titles, and have completely contradicted the false accounts given by fraudulent parties.

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The value of the lands claimed under grants ascertained to be forged is probably not less than \$150,000,000. More than two thirds of them in value have already been exposed and defeated. The preservation of all this property to the government, and the honest settlers deriving their titles from the United States, is of course a matter of great importance; but the moral effect of it will prove to be still more beneficial. These frauds operated like a curse or scourge upon the most magnificent portions of the American empire.

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led in four large volumes of closely-printed matter, besides the parcel testimony, which was also very voluminous and the photographic exhibits, which fill a folio volume of 700 pages. Linscott was prosecuted for perjury, and for being up a statute under perjury which he knew to be forged. The grand jury found bills against him, and he gave bail for his appearance in \$50,000, but forfeited his recognizance and left it to be paid by his executor.

Sutter's claim.—Captain Sutter asserted that he was the owner of thirty-three square leagues of the valley of the Sacramento, under two grants, one of which had been made by Alvarado in the year 1841, to himself, for eleven leagues, and the other twenty-two leagues was under a grant alleged to have been made by Michelobrena to Sutter and his wife.

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two square leagues of land alleged to have been granted by Michelobrena to Antonio Orosco, covering the flourishing town of Peralonso. It was retained on the ground that it was spurious and fraudulent. The evidence of its genuineness was wholly destroyed by the Supreme Court, and it was for that reason reversed.

William Bonville's claim.—This was for five square leagues of land under a pretended grant from Michelobrena. It was confirmed by the district court and reversed by the Supreme Court.

Rosa & Kitch's claim.—This was for six square leagues of land under a pretended grant from Michelobrena to John Smith. It was confirmed by the district court and reversed by the Supreme Court.

James V. Adams's claim.—This was for an island in the Sacramento river, supposed to contain over eleven square leagues of land. The grant was alleged to have been made by Governor Alvarado to Robert Elwell, for services rendered to the department government, and for money advanced. The evidence in support of it was strong enough to procure a contribution from the board of land commissioners and the district court, but it was made out to be fraudulent to the satisfaction of the Supreme Court and therefore rejected.

Andrés Pacheco's claim.—This was for the place called "Maguacoma," containing eleven square leagues, claimed under a fraudulent grant alleged to have been made by Governor Pio Pico to his brother Andrés Pico. The Supreme Court at the late term reversed the decree of the district court confirming it.

Rita Contreras's claim.—This was a land grant, under which nine square leagues were claimed by virtue of certain title papers alleged to have been made by Michelobrena to Rita. It passed through the board of land commissioners and the district court, but was expunged when it came to be examined in the Supreme Court.

Guadalupe's claim.—This was for "La Soledad," containing eleven square leagues. The original papers were alleged to have been made by Pio Pico to Juan Padilla. It is manifest from the papers themselves that Pio Pico had nothing to do with the fabrication of this claim.

Antonio Maria Orosco's claim.—In this case the claimant asserted that Governor Alvarado had made him a title for Angel Island, which lies in the bay of San Francisco, opposite the city, and commanding the northern entrance to the bay. It is a military point of inestimable value to the government. It is not possible to believe that any governor would have given it away, or that any individual would have asked for it.

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Francisco Pico's claim.—This was for the place called "Calaveras," containing eleven square leagues, under a pretended grant by Pio Pico. It is reputed to be one of the most valuable tracts of land in California. The grant was fraudulent and antedated.

James Murphy's claim.—This was a pretended grant from Michelobrena, confirmed by the district court, and rejected by the Supreme Court.

Emmanuel Pratt's claim.—This was for eight leagues of land, to which title was asserted under a grant made by Michelobrena, confirmed by the district court but rejected by the Supreme Court at the late term.

The Turbide claim.—Turbide, it will be remembered, was one of the most successful military leaders of the revolution which severed Mexico from Spain, in 1822. Between fraud and violence he found means to make himself emperor of Mexico, and sat upon the throne of that country for a short time. His power was overthrown, and he himself was expelled from the country; but returning soon afterwards from his banishment, he was shot. His legal representatives assert that the Mexican congress—the same congress by which he was deposed from the imperial throne as an usurper, and under whose order he was put to death as a traitor—toted him the four hundred leagues of land claimed in California, for "his patriotic services in consolidating the republic," and that the grant was afterwards confirmed to his family by an act of congress, which was lost during the occupation of the capital by the American troops.

Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo's claim.—The claimant in this case was one of the most distinguished men in California previous to the conquest of that country by the Americans. His high rank in the previous government, and his social position, gave him such advantages for a while that the board of land commissioners and the district court confirmed this and other claims reported by his name and oath. The Supreme Court, however, reversed it.

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missioners, agreeably to the act of 1851, and a special act of Congress, was passed authorizing it to be produced after the expiration of the time allowed by that act. It was elaborately discussed by the late district attorney before the district court, and arranged. Aided by that evidence, the district court came to a most satisfactory conclusion and the claim was rejected. The case came again to the Supreme Court, where it was again argued with the same result.

The Santillo claim.—This was presented in the name of James R. Bolton, but at the time of the final decision the title was held partly by Palmer, Cook, & Co., and partly by an association of gentlemen in Philadelphia. It covered a large part of the city of San Francisco, including public and private property valued at many millions of dollars.

An act of Congress was passed on the 15th of May, 1858, by which any person who prosecutes a land claim in California upon a false title, knowing it to be false, is rendered liable to a criminal prosecution, and, upon conviction, to a punishment of three years in the penitentiary. This law has not yet been enforced against any of the numerous persons who are notorious in this respect. But the time is coming when some of the guilty parties should be made to feel the majesty of justice.

A much stronger right might be thrown upon the nature and character of these claims by the voluminous correspondence which this office has had with the land and special agents of the government in California. But I have not thought it right to communicate that correspondence, for the reason that most of it was strictly confidential.

It will be seen that the total appropriations of \$10,000,000 for special duties and other extraordinary expenses, as mentioned in the annual report, have been paid, as per accounts drawn to 31st of March, 1860.

These balances will probably be absorbed by claims under contracts already made. The expenditures are less than were expected at the time of the estimates. The value of any one of the defeated claims exceeds the whole appropriation, and some among them exceed it an hundred, perhaps a thousand fold.

Two of the clerks in the surveyor general's office, Messrs. Hopkins and Conway, have spent much time and extra labor in arranging archives and furnishing photographs of documents. I would have allowed them a fair compensation out of the appropriations already made if I had been legally authorized to do so; but the same rule of law which made it impossible to give the district attorney more than his fee fixed by statute compelled me to say that I could give these clerks nothing beyond their salaries. I can do no more than commend their case to the consideration of Congress.

I am, very respectfully, yours, &c., J. S. BDACK.

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of the title and the object of the claimants very near being consummated by an impugnation on the Supreme Court more strenuous than either.

Punto de Lobos.—This is presented in the name of Lobos, Cook, and Adams, who claim under Benito Diaz. It includes East Point, where the United States have erected a fortification which cost about two millions of dollars. It is the most important military point on the whole coast. It also takes in the prairie and grounds appurtenant thereto, a large part of San Francisco, and about six thousand acres adjoining the city.

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THE YANKEE IN THE PASSENGER CAB.

One day last week, when in the car, I saw a Yankee, who for a while I thought was born to die...

OUR NATIVE LAND.

Our dear native land - with a palace of gold - Her towers and spires, all things of gold - Mid the American glades, and the forest's bow...

LIKE AN OPEN, HONEST HEART.

I like an open, honest heart. Where frankness loves to dwell, Which has no place for base deceit...

DISPOSING OF OLD STOCK.

A pedlar of the ware, who had been traveling from Philadelphia to Lancaster, in one of the double-bottomed boats...

W. M. SEIBERT RETURNS HIS THANKS.

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H. WARD, MANUFACTURER AND DEALER.

H. WARD, MANUFACTURER AND DEALER in FRANKLIN SQUARE, N. Y. Has on hand a large stock of...

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A clean skin, a smooth skin, a fresh and pretty face. Spaulding's Glee, best Hair Dye...

THE APPLE PIE MELON MAKES A PIE.

The Apple Pie Melon makes a Pie. It is the best of the kind, and is the only one...

HATS & CAPS.

SEASONS HATS NOW READY. SUMMER HATS AND CAPS for summer wear. Also a large stock of...

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EMPORIUM OF FASHION. LARGEST AND BEST STOCK OF STOCKS. SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHING...

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REYNOLDS, Geo. W. Brewer has the honor to announce that he has been admitted to the bar in the Franklin Building...

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VALLEY SPIRIT.

CHAMBERSBURG, PA.

Wednesday Evening June 27, 1860.

RIPPER & METZEL, Publishers and Proprietors.

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FOR VICE PRESIDENT, BENJ. FITZPATRICK, of Alabama.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS

Respect at Large

GEORGE M. KEYS RICHARD VALL

District Electors

- 1 Frederick A. Barber 74 Isaac Rockbow
2 Wm C Patterson 15 Geo D Jackson
3 Joseph Crockett 17 J A Alt...

FOR GOVERNOR, HENRY D. FOSTER, of Westmoreland.

The Nominations.

The National Democratic Convention re-assembled at Baltimore on the 18th inst., pursuant to the order of adjournment adopted at Charleston...

discharged his duties as Governor the people re-elected him in 1848 without opposition. He is now serving his third term as United States Senator...

Mr. President and gentlemen of the Convention—It is scarcely necessary for me to say that at no time during the sitting of this body did Judge Douglas receive the united vote of the delegation from Pennsylvania...

Judge Douglas is a man of acknowledged talent and every where regarded as the accomplished statesman, skilled in the art of ruling. Born under a New England sky...

I here, in this beautiful city, which looks out upon the Chesapeake, any incitement could have been needed to a broad patriotism in our deliberations...

Mrs. Wm. F. Schell.

The Democracy of Bedford met in Convention on the 19th inst., and recommended Hon. W. F. Schell as their preference for candidate for Congress in this district...

Resolved, That we claim the right to name the candidates for Congress in this District at the next election, and recommend Hon. W. F. Schell as our candidate...

The Covode Committee.

That wonderful contrivance of Republican ingenuity, the Covode, which was expected to do as much for the opposition in the approaching campaign as the Spoon Speech...

This Committee was set on foot by FORNEY. He had enjoyed a portion of the spoils under a previous administration. Like OLIVER TWIST, he wanted "more"—so much more...

Well, the Committee dived into the Kansas business, and there was a friendly but very spirited rivalry between the Chairman and his principal witnesses, each exerting himself to dive deeper and come up dirtier than the others...

The report of Attorney General Black on the Private Land Claims in California will be found on the second page of our paper of this week.

to some of Gov. WALKER's acts that the anti-submissionists gained the ascendancy in the Convention and triumphed over CALHOUN. Messrs. COBB and THOMPSON, being examined under oath, sustained so much of MARTIN's testimony as related to themselves...

The Covode fared just as badly in their attempt to establish the alleged fact that the political virtue of the editor of the Philadelphia Press had been vainly tempted by an offer of the Postoffice Printing...

The evidence lately elicited before the Committee establishes another fact highly discreditably to FORNEY, and that is, that the two members of the administration whom he has abused most violently, BLACK and COBB, were the very men who exerted themselves most earnestly to serve him after Mr. BUCHANAN came into power...

The minority report of Mr. WINSLOW, which was laid before Congress last week, and which we shall make room for in our next number, is a triumphant vindication of the Democratic party and the National Administration from the charges of the opposition...

California Land Claims.

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Slavery Agitation.

Nothing else that has been attempted since the formation of our government has been productive of half so much mischief as the ill-considered efforts of a portion of the Northern people to force the South to liberate her slaves...

For several years past there has been a Methodist Church North and a Methodist Church South, in place of one great Methodist Church for the whole country. The division was brought about by the aggressive spirit of fanatical Northern members...

But these hopes appear to have been delusive. The devil's work is not yet done it seems. There are more tares to be sown in the field of christianity, and unfortunately there are plenty of preachers and editors who are ready and willing to scatter the seed...

We have heard a great deal about the "aggression of slavery" from Republican newspapers. We have heard those same newspapers affirm that they were not disposed to interfere with the rights and privileges of slaveholders...

The object of the Republican papers in printing this harangue is to inflame the prejudices of christians against slaveowners, and so promote the cause of sectional politics. The mother of the child brought before Solomon was willing to surrender her offspring to the wrongful claimant rather than "let the child be divided"...

Are sober-headed and right-hearted church members going to be led off into rampant abolitionism by the gabbling of such political parsons as this man Moody? Do they believe that there is not one among all the slaveholders of the South who is a good and sincere christian?

There is a great crowd here, such as I have never before seen; the meetings are attended by a perfect mass of human beings. There are a number of excellent bands of music here, who relieve the occasion with some of the best music I ever heard.

At a trial before a Squire, the following queer dialogue occurred:
Question: "Did you tell T. — to go to the devil?"
Witness: "I rather think I did."

A Small Business.

The Times in its scarcity of subjects upon which to display its erudition, picks us up on a typographical error that occurred in our paper of last week. In a part of an editorial article on the Harper's Ferry Raid the word "majority" should have read "minority"...

Editorial Correspondence.

BALTIMORE, June 26, 1860. On Monday last I left Chambersburg for this city, the seat of action of the Democratic National Convention, and arrived here by 6 o'clock, the same evening...

At Carlisle there was a rush for the cars, and soon they were "filled to overflowing." A few minutes past 11 we arrived at the Capital of our State, looking as sprightly as a lark in the morning.

The Cumberland Valley Rail-Road is decidedly one of the very best roads I ever travelled upon; and I am glad that this opinion is not only generally expressed at home, but abroad also. It cannot well be otherwise however. The kind hearted Superintendent, Col. Lull, and the employees of this road, one and all of them, are perfect gentlemen; they not only have the welfare of the Company at heart, but also the comfort and convenience of the travelling public.

I have often been in the Monumental city, but never did I enter it with a heart filled with more ardor intermingled with hope, than at this time, in view of the great question which was to be decided here.

In my next I will endeavor to give a short sketch of Baltimore—its surrounding scenery and places worthy of notice. But before I close, I cannot but mention the fine location of the wharf pier in our valley. Everything looks charming, and the goodness of our heavenly Father is seen in every direction. The bay harvest has commenced, and promises a good crop. In a few days our farmers will be busy gathering the "wheat and chaff," and their well earned labor will be abundantly rewarded. Mine right. J. G. H.

VALLEY SPIRIT.

Chambersburg, June 27, 1860.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mail Road Convention. A meeting of the citizens of Franklin County will be held in the Court House in Chambersburg on Saturday the 29th inst. at 11 o'clock, A. M.

We have been trying to draw the attention of the Baltimoreans to the importance of having Baltimore united to this place, making the connection from Stevens Tappan to this place, only a distance of 20 miles and 6 of it already graded and bridged.

At a meeting of the Fire-Insurance F. F. C. held on Monday evening last, the following resolutions and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Fire-Insurance F. F. C., do hereby certify to the public, that the sum necessary for the purchase of a good Section Engine.

Resolved, That a Committee, composed of four members of the Company, be appointed to visit upon the citizens and receive their subscriptions towards the purchase of said Section Engine.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the papers of our borough.

Resolved, That the following gentlemen were appointed the Committee: Geo. H. Mergel, J. T. Houshoun, Upton Washburne, Frederick Waik, John R. West, John Porter, J. M. Houser, J. M. Brown, E. S. Stambaugh, K. Shannon Taylor, J. O. Jeter, A. J. Broad, C. W. Gline, Jacob Butler, W. A. H. Thompson, J. W. Boyer, A. D. Cuffman, G. W. Hoagdy.

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Graduating Exercises and Commencement. The exercises of the graduating class of the Chambersburg Female Seminary will take place in Franklin Hall, this (Wednesday) evening.

On Thursday evening the Musical Notes of the pupils of the Seminary will be held in the same place, the doors to be open at half past 7 o'clock.

Tickets of admission may be had for 10 cents, at the Drug Store and at the door. This is rendered necessary as a precaution, while the exercise, if any, will be devoted to the purchase of maps and charts for the Seminary.

We have been requested to say that the examinations of the Seminary will be continued this morning, commencing at 9 o'clock.

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Target Practice. The Chambers Artillery will parade on "Tax Funnels" prepared with six rounds of ball cartridges for marksmen and cannon.

Very Fall. We desire to call attention to a new kind of soap, which has lately been filled with Medicines of all kinds, such as Perfumery, Soap, and fancy articles.

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It is a blessed thing to have a home on earth, to be surrounded by those upon whom we can lean with confidence for our support.

A letter from F. R. H. of Philadelphia, Pa., was read, congratulating the "Newsboys' Society of Philadelphia" upon the success which has attended the institution since its establishment was concerted.

A letter from his Honor, the Mayor, was read, regretting his inability to participate in the celebration of the anniversary.

The exercises were concluded by the boys refreshing their lives with ice cream, cakes, &c., which they relished with appropriate avidity.

A Melancholy Accident. We are sorry to record a most distressing casualty which took place in the death of our venerable and esteemed friend, Christian Heysinger, Esq.

The warm weather. Now upon us, and we would advise all persons to be supplied with Medicines to guard against the diseases that attend it.

Jacobs is the only regular Tobacco and Sugar Business in the place that is carried on extensively.

Deichert's Hats and Caps are going into fashion to suit the season.

Seiner, in the corner of the alley, West Queen street, is always prepared to show to his many patrons splendid Furniture, and to sell at low prices.

Cheap. The Perceval and other news papers, Magazines, &c., sold at Reed's Periodical Depot.

Attention is called to the advertisement, in another column, of C. Spital, as an auctioneer, who offers his services to the public.

John Smith, intends to succeed his father, (D. Smith, dec'd) as auctioneer.

We would call attention to the advertisement of a Virginia Farm offered to be exchanged for property in this county.

Go to Miller & Brasley's for pure Drugs and Medicines, Perfumery, Cigars, Tobacco, &c.

Newsboys' Aid Society. Last evening the second anniversary of the Newsboys' Aid Society was held at the Home, in Third street near Spruce.

Arrested. A young German, named Galtel Smith, was arrested on Friday by Constable Bitter, through a telegraphic dispatch received from Harrisburg.

A Suggestion. The bridge on 2d Street over the spring, in a dilapidated condition, and even if the Council should conclude to repair it, it would still be an unwholesome structure.

An Outsider. Joe Harper, whose hearty laugh has not been heard on our streets for some time, because of his having retired to the shades of "Fort McStrath" to spend the winter and spring months, is again an outsider.

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