

CFR 0744

Lawrence Iverson

LAKE

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

Deadline for filing applications - May 1, 1985

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT:

Your name (Mr. & Mrs., Ms.) LAWRENCE IVERSON

Your address: BOX 97 SILVER LAKE, ORE. 97638  
Street, Route, or Box Town Zip

Location of Farm: SILVER LAKE LAKE  
Address County

To qualify as a Century Farm, a farm must have not less than 10 acres with a gross income from farm use of not less than \$500 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding application for Century Farm Honors. Does your farm meet this qualification? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of family member who was founder or original owner of farm \_\_\_\_\_

SAMUAL G. CORUM

Year founder settled on farm 1881 Where did he come from? MISSOURI

Who farms the land today? LAWRENCE and MARJORIE CORUM IVERSON

Relationship to original owner? GRANDDAUGHTER (MARJORIE)

Are any of the original buildings still in use? If so which ones? NO

PRESENT BUILDINGS BUILT IN 1899 & 1900

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm one hundred years ago, please list:

OATS, RYE - HORSES, CATTLE - CHICKENS

What do you raise on farm today? WILD HAY, ALFALFA. over  
CATTLE (BEEF TYPE)

*live approx 4 miles but see the operations & work there*

How many generations live on the farm today (Names)? THREE - MARJORIE (3)

BEVERLY LITTLE (4) - NEIL and BRIAN LITTLE ARE FIFTH

How many times has the original farm been divided? NONE

Do you declare that the statements made above are accurate and correct to the best of your knowledge? YES

*ack 4/24*

Please return form to:

Marjorie Iverson  
Signature of Owner

Elizabeth W. Buehler, Field Historian  
Oregon Historical Society  
1230 S.W. Park Avenue  
Portland, Oregon, 97205

Lawrence Iverson -  
Husband of Marjorie Iverson  
granddaughters of Sam. G. Corum

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Silver Lake, Oregon

March 23/1985-

Oregon Historical Society

1230 S.W. Park Ave.

Portland, Oregon.

Will you please send me the  
rules for 1985 Century Farm  
Program? also an application  
for Century Farms in Oregon 1985-  
We have one - thanks

Sincerely

Mrs. Lawrence Iverson

P.O. Box 97 - Silver Lake, Ore. 97638

LAKE

March 27, 1985

Mrs. Lawrence Iverson  
P.O. Box 97  
Silver Lake, Oregon 97638

Dear Mrs. Iverson:

Thank you for your inquiry concerning our Century Farm program. I am enclosing the application forms together with a copy of the rules for Century Farm designation.

The deadline for application is May 1, 1985. We will be making arrangements for annawards presentation in Lake County as we get nearer the summer. In the meantime, we look forward to receiving your application and if you are aware of other farms in the area which might qualify, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth W. Buehler  
Field Historian



## NON-MINERAL AFFIDAVIT.

This affidavit can be sworn to only on personal knowledge, and cannot be made on information and belief.  
The non-mineral affidavit accompanying an entry of public land must be made by the party making the entry, and only before the officer taking the other affidavits required of the entryman.

## United States Land Office,

Lakeview Co

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1888

*Samuel G. Corum*, being duly sworn according to law, deposes  
and says that he is the identical *Person* who is an applicant  
for Government title to the *North West Quarter of*  
*Sec 13 Tp 2 S & South Range 14 East*

that he is well acquainted with the character of said described land, and with each and every legal sub-  
division thereof, having frequently passed over the same; that his personal knowledge of said land is such  
as to enable him to testify understandingly with regard thereto; that there is not, to his knowledge,  
within the limits thereof, any vein or lode of quartz or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver, cinnabar,  
lead, tin, or copper, or any deposit of coal; that there is not within the limits of said land, to his knowl-  
edge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other valuable mineral deposit; that no portion of said land is claimed  
for mining purposes under the local customs or rules of miners or otherwise; that no portion of said land  
is worked for mineral during any part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially  
non-mineral land, and that his application therefor is not made for the purpose of fraudulently obtaining  
title to mineral land, but with the object of securing said land for agricultural purposes, and that his post-  
office address is *Silver Lake, Lakeview Co.*

*Samuel G. Corum*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing affidavit was read to affiant in my presence before he signed  
his name thereto; that said affiant is to me personally known (or has been satisfactorily identified before  
me by \_\_\_\_\_), and that I verily believe him to be a credible person  
and the person he represents himself to be, and that this affidavit was subscribed and sworn to before me  
at my office in *Lakeview Co*, within the *Lakeview Co*  
land district, on this *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *June*, 18*88*.

*Matthewson*  
*McCaig*

NOTE.—The officer before whom the deposition is taken should call the attention of the witness to the following section of the Revised Statutes, and state to him that it is the purpose of the Government, if it be ascertained that he testifies falsely, to prosecute him to the full extent of the law.

## REVISED STATUTES OF THE UNITED STATES. TITLE LXX.—CRIMES.—CHAP. 4.

Sec. 5392. Every person who, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed is true, willfully and contrary to such oath states or subscribes any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be punished by a fine of not more than two thousand dollars, and by imprisonment, at hard labor, not more than five years, and shall, moreover, thereafter be incapable of giving testimony in any court of the United States until such time as the judgment against him is reversed (See §1750.)



Lakeview Oregon. June 24 1888

Received from Register Land Office \$10<sup>00</sup>

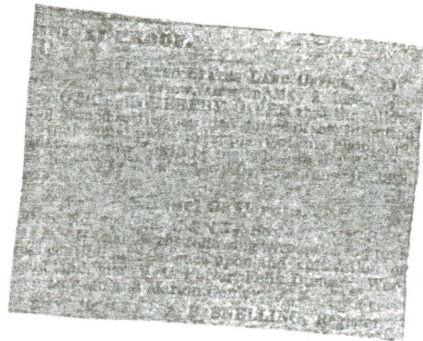
for publishing the annexed notice of Sam. G. Brown in the  
LAKE COUNTY EXAMINER.

Beach & Beach

Publishers.

I, S. G. Beach

being first duly sworn, do say, that I am one of the  
publishers of the Lake County Examiner,  
a weekly newspaper, printed and published at Lake-  
view, Lake County, Oregon, and of general circula-  
tion in Lake and adjoining counties; that the notice  
of ~~final proof~~ of which the annexed is a true  
and correct copy, was published in said Lake County  
Examiner, proper, and in the regular and entire is-  
sue of every number thereof, once a week for a period  
of six consecutive weeks, beginning on the  
3<sup>d</sup> day of May 1888, and ending  
on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1888.



Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 1888

A. J. Sullivan  
Register



CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OF NOTICE.

Land Office at Valerian Co.

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1888.

I, A. F. Snelling, Register, do hereby  
certify that a notice, a printed copy of which is hereto  
attached, was by me posted in a conspicuous place in my  
office for a period of thirty days, I having first posted said  
notice on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 1888.

A. F. Snelling  
Register.

Land Office at Lakeview, Or.May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1888.

Mr. S. G. Carrum has this day paid  
Three dollars, the Register's and Receiver's fees,  
 for a Declaratory Statement, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged.

W. M. Townsend  
 Receiver.

No. 3094

Mr. S. G. Carrum having paid the fees,  
 has this day filed in this Office his Declaratory Statement, No. 3094,  
 for SW 1/4  
 township 28 S. of range 14 E section 13  
160 acres, settled upon Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 1884, being  
un offered.

Under the provisions of the Pre-emption Laws, the time within which final proof is required to be made on unoffered lands expires in thirty-three months from date of settlement, or from date of filing of township plat in District Land Office in case of settlement on unsurveyed lands, and on offered lands in twelve months from date of settlement; and under act of March 3, 1879, notice of intention to prove up must be given by publication in a newspaper, to be designated by the Register, for a period of thirty days, or in five consecutive issues of said paper, which notice must also contain the names of the witnesses by whom the necessary facts will be established.

Notice is, therefore, hereby given that this pre-emption filing expires on November 1, 1890, after which date the tract will be subject to the claim of any other qualified party.

Very respectfully,

W. F. Luning  
 Register

FILL OUT THIS BLANK WITH INK.

## Chief of Division C:

Please furnish for official use the status of

Sec. 13, Tp. 28 S. R. 14 E.

Meridian,

State or Territory, Oregon, District Lakeview

T. B. Vol. 20, Page 29, Entry No. 1017

Claimant's name, Saml. G. Corum

Special wants,

L. J. W.

Div. G

NW<sup>4</sup>, D.S. 3094, Oct. 1, 1884,  
 May 2, 1888, S. G. Corum.  
 Pre. 1/41. NW<sup>4</sup>, 1602, \$125,  
 \$200., Samuel G. Corum,  
 June 16, 1888, 1017. No con-  
 flict. Lakeview posted to  
 Sep. 1, 1890. Jan. 17, 1891.

P. C.

Kind of entry, Date, 189

Appl. No. Cert. No.

Wt. No. Act. Area.

Name,

Sent to Div. 189

Clerk.

FILE THIS SLIP WITH THE ENTRY PAPERS.

The clerk furnishing the information called for will be held responsible for its correctness.

 GEORGE REDWAY,  
 Chief Clerk.



No

Land Office at *Lakeview Or**June 16<sup>th</sup>*, 1888.

It is hereby certified that, in pursuance of law, *Samuel G. Corum*, residing at *Silver Lake*, in *Lake* County, State of *Oregon*, on this day purchased of the Register of this Office the *North West quarter*

of Section No. *13* in Township No. *28 South* of Range No. *14 East* of the *Willamette* Meridian, containing *160* acres, at the rate of *One* dollar and *Twenty five* cents per acre, amounting to *Two Hundred* dollars and cents, for which the said *Samuel G. Corum* has made payment in full as required by law.

Now, therefore, be it known that, on presentation of this certificate to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, the said *Samuel G. Corum* shall be entitled to receive a Patent for the lot above described.

*A. F. Luning*, Register.



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~~10-10-17~~Receiver's Office at *Lakeview Or**June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1888.*

RECEIVED from

*Samuel S. Corum*of *Lake* County, *Oregon*, the sum of *Two*  
*Hundred* dollars and \_\_\_\_\_ cents; being in full for the  
*North West*\_\_\_\_\_ quarter of Section No. *13*, in TownshipNo. *28 South*, of Range No. *14 East*, containing*One Hundred & Sixty* acres and \_\_\_\_\_ hundredths, at\$ *1 25* per acre. *Sec. 1320 Words @ 22 1/2¢/100 = \$297*~~10-10-17~~*Wm Townsend*, Receiver.

(4-558.)

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Cash No. 1017

L. O. Lakeriew Cr

Name: S. G. Corum

Tract: Nor

Sec. 13, Tp. 28 S., R. 14 E

June 88

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_

Referred to Div. \_\_\_\_\_

ACTION:

Approved: Jan. 20/91  
L. J. W.

[4-189.]

No. 1017

CASH ENTRY.

LAND OFFICE AT  
Lakeview Ar

<sup>8 1/4</sup>  
Sec. 13, Town 28 S, Range 14 E.

Unoffd Ex. Dec. 1888  
Qu. T. B

Approved Jan. 20/91,  
by L. G. W., Clerk.

Division g

Patented Jan 17 '91

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**AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED OF PRE-EMPTION CLAIMANT.**

*Sec. 2262, Revised Statutes.*

I, Samuel G. Corum, claiming the  
right of pre-emption, under section 2259 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, to  
the North West

quarter of section number  
13, of township number 28 North, of range  
number 14 East, subject to sale at Lakeview Ar  
do solemnly swear that I have never had the benefit of any right of pre-emption  
under said section; that I am not the owner of three hundred and twenty acres of land  
in any State or Territory of the United States, nor have I settled upon and improved said  
land to sell the same on speculation, but in good faith to appropriate it to my own ex-  
clusive use or benefit; and that I have not, directly or indirectly, made any agreement  
or contract, in any way or manner, with any person or persons whomsoever, by which  
the title which I may acquire from the Government of the United States should inure,  
in whole or in part, to the benefit of any person except myself.

Samuel G. Corum

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of the land office  
at Lakeview Ar, do hereby certify that the above  
affidavit was subscribed and sworn to before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of  
June, A. D. 1888

W M Bronsaw



# HOMESTEAD, PRE-EMPTION, AND COMMUTATION PROOF.

## TESTIMONY OF CLAIMANT.

Full and Specific Answers must be given to each Question. Evasive Answers will be Fatal to the Proof.

Samuel G. Corum, claimant, being first duly sworn, testifies as follows:

Question 1.—What is your correct name, your age, and occupation? If employed by any person, state by whom.

Ans. Samuel G. Corum, 34, Stock Raising & Farming for myself.

Question 2.—What is your post-office address?

Ans. Silver Lake Cr.

Question 3.—Are you the identical person who made pre-emption filing No. 3094 (or homestead entry No. ) at the

Lakeview Cr land office on the 2<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1888, and

what is the true description of the land now claimed by you?

Ans. Yes Sir; NW 1/4 sec 13 Tp. 28 S. R. 14 E—

Question 4.—Where did you live before settling upon this land, and what was your occupation?

Ans. Silver Lake Cr, Stock Raising.

Question 5.—Are you a citizen of the United States, or have you declared your intention to become such?

Ans. Natural Born Citizen

(In case the party is of foreign birth, a copy of his declaration of intention to become a citizen or full naturalization certificate, officially certified, must be filed with the case. The latter is only required in final homestead entries.)

Question 6.—Are you interested in any other entry or filing than the one upon which you now seek to make proof?

Ans. Yes, a Desert Entry.

Question 7.—Have you ever made a pre-emption filing for any other tract of land, or made any other homestead entry or filing or entry of any kind? (Answer each question separately, describe the land, and state what disposition you made of your claim.)

Ans. No Sir

Question 8.—Is your present claim within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade and business?

Ans. No Sir.

Question 9.—What is the character of the land? Is it timber, mountainous, prairie, grazing, or ordinary agricultural land? State its kind and quality, and for what purpose it is most valuable.

Ans. Agricultural Land. Soil Sandy, for Agricultural purposes.

Question 10.—Is the land valuable for coal, iron, stone, or minerals of any kind? Has any coal or other minerals been discovered thereon, or is any coal or mineral known to be contained therein? Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on the land? If so, describe what they are.

Ans. No, No, No, No.

Question 11.—If the land is timber land, state the kind, quality, and amount of timber thereon at date of initiating your claim, the amount still standing, how much has been cut and removed, and by whom, and whether the same has been disposed of, and to whom; also whether any other person than yourself has any interest in the timber, and if so, what kind of interest.

Ans. No Timber

Ques. 12.—If the land is used for grazing purposes, state how and by whom it is so used, and whether it is within any stock range or fence or other inclosure, and who owns or controls the range or inclosure.

Ans. It is only used by myself - No one owns or controls the Land but myself -

Ques. 13.—When did you first make an actual personal settlement on this land? State what you did to make such settlement, and the character and value of the improvements you then placed upon the land.

Ans. Fall of 1881 - Built a House & Barn  
Dug a well - Built a Corral, Value - \$300

There is an error in my D.S. Receipt in regard to date of settlement It should be Oct 1881 instead of Oct 1884 as ~~shown~~ showed by my D.S. Receipt

Ques. 14.—Was the land occupied by any other person when you made such settlement? If so, state who lived there, and how you obtained possession.

Ans. No one but the State claimed it as swamp & I contacted it & won the case. Then I was allowed to settle on the same place -

Ques. 15.—When did you actually move on this land and commence living permanently thereon?

Ans. In the fall of 1881

Ques. 16.—Where has been your actual personal residence and home during the whole time since the date of this filing or entry?

Ans. On this tract of Land.

Ques. 17.—Has your residence on the land now claimed been actual or constructive, continuous or at intervals? Explain what you mean by actual continuous residence.

Ans. Actual & Continuous. It means where I have made my home.

Ques. 18.—Have you resided or boarded elsewhere than on this land since commencing your residence thereon? If so, state when and where, how often, and for how long?

Ans. Have not.

Ques. 19.—Where have you voted since establishing residence on this land, and where did you last vote, and how long have you voted there?

Ans. Silver Lake Precinct, Silver Lake precinct, 8 years.

Ques. 20.—How many times have you been absent from said tract since you commenced actual residence thereon? Give the dates when each absence commenced and terminated, and the cause therefor.

Ans. Once, Left on Nov 6. 1886 - Came back Feb 14/1887  
Went to see my parents.

Ques. 21.—Have you a family, and of whom does your family consist?

Ans. Yes, Wife -

Ques. 22.—Has your family resided with you on this claim? If so, state when they moved on the land, how long they have lived there, and whether they actually reside there still.

Ans. Yes, Feb 28" 1887, ever since  
They still live there.

Ques. 23.—If your family has been absent any part of the time since moving on the land, state the causes for and the dates when each absence commenced and terminated.

Ans. They have not.

Ques. 24.—When and by whom was your house built? Is it habitable at all seasons of the year?

Ans. 1881 by myself. Yes.



Ques. 25.—Did you and your family live in said house during all of each or any winter since the date of your filing or entry? If not, state the duration and causes of each absence.

Ans. I lived there every winter & when I married my wife has lived with me.

Ques. 26.—If your family has not lived with you on this claim since the date of your filing or entry, state the causes therefor, where they did reside, and where they are now living.

Ans. Have lived there since we married.

Ques. 27.—Do you own any other residence house than the one now on your claim? If so, state where, and who occupies the same.

Ans. No Sir.

Ques. 28.—Describe fully the house on this claim, giving value thereof; also describe fully all other improvements thereon of whatever kind, giving the value of each and total value of all improvements.

Ans. Log House, 15 X 20, Shingle Roof, 2 partitions, 2 windows, 2 doors—Have a Summer Shed 10 X 20—Shingle Roof—Partition. The House has a good floor, shed is Ceiled The House is Papered & Lined, Val-\$200, Granary & Wagon Shed—\$100, Stable & Hay Shed—Val-\$75—Have the place fenced \$300—Well \$10, Chicken House \$20  
Total Val \$705.

Ques. 29.—What farm implements do you own and use on this claim? State kind and number, and how long you have owned the same.

Ans. Plow, Wagon, Harrow, Mowing Machine & Rake, & Small tools—Bought them since day of settlement.

Ques. 30.—What domestic animals and live stock do you own and keep on this claim? State kind and number of each kind.

Ans. 15 Horses, 100 Cattle, 200 Pigs.

Ques. 31.—State what articles of furniture of every kind you keep and use in your residence on this claim, and how long you have had them there.

Ans. Cook stove & utensils, Fire Place, 2 Table, 2 Beds complete, Cupboard, Dishes, 4 Chairs, Sewing Machine, 4 Trunks.

Ques. 32.—Have you any personal property or live stock of any kind elsewhere than on this claim? If so, describe the same, and state where the same is kept.

Ans. Yes, 10 Horses, 1 Head, They run on the Range in Calico.

Ques. 33.—How many seasons have you raised crops on this land, and what kind of crops have you raised each season?

Ans. Have raised Hay & Grain since 1883.

Ques. 34.—How many acres have you put in crops each year, and how much did you raise? State the amount in bushels of each kind.

Ans. In 1883 Had 5 acres in Grain, in 1885 Plowed 50 acres more. Cut the Grain for Hay, Cut about 500 tons of wood.

Ques. 35.—Have you the land in crop this year, or is it prepared for cropping the coming season? How much of the land is so cropped or prepared?

Ans. Yes, the Hay Crop—sowed some Timothy seed.

Ques. 36.—Do you carry on any trade, profession, or business elsewhere than on this land? If so, state what business you have been engaged in while claiming this land, where it was carried on, and the distance from your claim.

Ans. No—

Ques. 37.—If you have been employed in working for others away from this claim since you established residence thereon, state when, where, and for whom, in what occupation or capacity, how long you have so worked, and where you staid and lived during that time.

Ans. Have not worked for any one, more than a month, and then went home every week.  
Ques. Did you leave other land of your own to settle on your present claim  
Ans. No Sir.

Ques. 38.—Where are you assessed for taxes, personal, real estate, or license, and when and where have you paid taxes since claiming this land?

Ans.

*Blue Lake Precinct, In Blue Lake Precinct*

Ques. 39.—Are the improvements on this land assessed for taxes; if so, at what valuation? Have such taxes been paid; if so, when and by whom?

Ans.

*Yes, have not been assessed this year.*

Ques. 40.—What use is made of this land, and who, besides yourself and family, uses it or causes it to be used?

Ans.

*For farming & grazing purposes, & home, I do not.*

Ques. 41.—Have you sold, transferred, or mortgaged this land, or offered or agreed to sell or dispose of it?

Ans.

*No sir.*

Ques. 42.—Do you make this entry in the interest or for the benefit of any one else, or has any person other than yourself and family any interest, immediate or prospective, in this entry? If so, state for whom the entry is made.

Ans.

*No sir.*

Ques. 43.—Has any person paid your expenses for making this entry, or paid you wages or a salary on condition that you make said entry, or agreed to do either, or agreed to pay the entry money for you, or to pay the fees or commissions, with the agreement or understanding that you will deed the land after entry is made?

Ans.

*No sir.*

Ques. 44.—Do you make this entry in good faith, for the exclusive purpose of a home and farm for yourself and family?

Ans.

*I do.*

[Signature of claimant.]

*Samuel G. Corum*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that each question in the foregoing deposition was orally propounded to the said

*Samuel G. Corum*

, and the foregoing answers severally given by him thereto before he signed the same and after being sworn according to law; that the said *Samuel G. Corum* is to me personally known (or satis-

factorily identified by \_\_\_\_\_) as the person he represents himself to be in making this

proof; that I have called his attention to the laws and penalties against false swearing, and that the foregoing deposition was sworn to

and subscribed before me this *16* day of *June*, A. D. 188 *8*

*A. F. Sullivan*  
*Register*



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Additional Information  
Lakeview, OR  
Cash file 1012

# HOMESTEAD, PRE-EMPTION, AND COMMUTATION PROOF.

## TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

(The testimony of two witnesses, taken separately, in addition to the testimony of claimant, is required in each case.)

(The testimony of witnesses must be taken at the same time and place and before the same officer as claimant's final affidavit.)

The answers must be full and complete to each and every question asked, and officers taking testimony will be expected to make no mistakes in dates, description of land, or otherwise.

Question 1.—What is your true name (christian and surname), given in full, your age, residence, and present post-office address? (Give description of land on which you reside, quarter-section, township, and range.)

Answer.

*William C. Silvers, 30 years, Silver Lake, P.O. Silver Lake Lake Co. Or.  
Claim some land but do not know the number.*

Ques. 2.—What is your present occupation, and where and by whom have you been employed since *Sept 1891*, the date of claimant's alleged settlement on said tract?

Ans.

*Stock Raiser, Silver Lake, for myself.*

Ques. 3.—Are you related to claimant or in any way interested in this claim, or are you connected with him in business of any kind?

Ans.

*No No No*

Ques. 4.—How far from the residence of claimant, on said tract, do you reside, and how long have you lived there?

Ans.

*6 miles 12 years.*

Ques. 5.—Give the names and residence of two or more persons living nearer to the claimant of this tract than yourself. If none are nearer than you, give the names of two or more next nearest, and state the land on which they reside.

Ans.

*W. L. Roberts, Day & Martin, Ben & H. C. Williams, Numbers, P.O. Silver Lake Or.*

Ques. 6.—How long have you known *A. G. Leeman*, the claimant, for whom you appear as a witness, where has he been living since you first knew him up to the present time, and is he the identical person he represents himself to be?

Ans.

*11 years, Silver Lake, think he is.*

Ques. 7.—Are you well acquainted with the land embraced in this claim? Give correct description thereof; also state the extent of your knowledge, and how you know what you affirm.

Ans.

*Yes sir, do not know the number.  
Have seen the section corners, & have been over the land for the last 11 years.*

Ques. 8.—How often have you been on this tract of land since claimant's alleged settlement thereon, at what time or times, and when did you last see him on the land?

Ans.

*A great many times, frequently since he came here.*

Ques. 9.—Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade or business?

Ans.

*No.*

Ques. 10.—State specifically the character of this land—whether it is timber, prairie, grazing, farming, coal, or mineral land.

Ans.

*Prairie & Farming soil sandy.*

Ques. 11.—Are there any indications of coal, minerals, or salines on this land?

Ans.

*No.*

Ques. 12.—Is it within any stock range or fence or other inclosure? If so, give the names of the parties owning or in any manner controlling such inclosure or range.

Ans.

*No one only his own inclosure.*

Ques. 13.—If the land is timber land, state whether the timber, or any portion thereof, and what portion, if any, has been cut or removed, and by whom?

Ans.

*No Timber*

Ques. 14.—What is this land used for, and who (if any one) besides the claimant is in any manner interested in or uses or controls the land or claims the timber thereon?

Ans.

*Farming & Pasturing Home, No one.*

Ques. 15.—What has been claimant's occupation since you first knew him, and where has he been employed, and by whom?

Ans.

*Stock-raising Farmer Silver Lake, for himself*

Ques. 16.—Has he had any other living or boarding place than on this land during the existence of his present claim? If so, state where he has been living or stopping.

Ans.

*No Sir.*

Ques. 17.—Does claimant's family reside on said land? When did they move thereon? How long have they lived there, and do they still reside thereon? If not, where do they reside?

Ans.

*Yes, Feb 1887 Ever since.*

Ques. 18.—Has claimant's family been absent from said land since moving thereon? If so, state how often, how long each time, and the cause of said absence or absences.

Ans.

*No.*

Ques. 19.—State in full and in detail all the facts within your knowledge as to claimant's actual residence upon this claim; when and how often you have seen him upon the land; what were the evidences that he actually lived on the tract; how long he has lived there, and whether he lives there now.

Ans.

*Have seen him there at work very often, ate & slept with him, Ever few days since 1881. By the improvements that he has made since 1881.*  
*Yes Sir.*

Ques. 20.—If claimant has been absent from said land since his alleged settlement, state fully how often, when, how long each time, and for what purpose.

Ans.

*Once, When he went to pay his parents a visit, gone between 3 or 4 months.*



Ques. 21.—State in detail the character of the improvements; what they consist of, and when they were made; the value of each distinct improvement, fully describing the same; also whether they were made by the claimant or by some other person.

Ans. Log House 15x20 with the Roof - Shed Room 10x20  
shingle roof floored & Ceiled - Val \$ 200 - Granary, Wagon  
Shed Combined & Chicken House \$ 100 - Gas  
place fenced \$ 300 - Well \$ 10 - Stable & Hay  
Shed \$ 80 - 3 Corals \$ 75  
(Have been made since 1881 by Himself)

Ques. 22.—Give the size, construction, and material of claimant's house on said tract, and also state whether the same is habitable during all seasons of the year.

Ans. 15x20 - Main building 10x20  
Lumber yes.

Ques. 23.—What is this land worth, and was it ever offered for sale?

Ans. \$ 7 per acre No that I know.

Ques. 24.—When did claimant commence living upon this land?

Ans. In 1881

Ques. 25.—How much of said land has been broken, how much plowed since being broken, and how much put into crop each season? State kind of crops raised, their value, and number of seasons crops were raised.

Ans. About 5 acres Has been prepared  
all of it. Grain Hay & Hay  
5 years.

Ques. 26.—Is said land in crops this season, or has it been prepared for cropping the coming season?

Ans. Yes.

Ques. 27.—Do you believe that claimant intends to continue his residence on this land after making final proof, or does he intend to remove therefrom?

Ans. I think he still continues to live there.

Ques. 28.—Does claimant, with his family, reside on said land at the present time? You will explain how you know he has resided there, as you have heretofore stated.

Ans. Yes. Have seen him, & his wife  
there have also staid there.

Ques Is Claimant the owner of 820 acres in this  
or any other state or territory.

Ans Not that I know of.

Ques Did he leave or abandon a residence on  
his own land in this state to reside on the land now  
claimed by him.

Ans No Sir.

Philip D. Duncan

[Signature of witness.]

U. S. LAND OFFICE,

Latterman Co

June 16, 1888

I HEREBY CERTIFY that Felix D. Duncum personally appeared before me; that he is a credible witness, and is personally known to me (or has been satisfactorily identified before me by

Felix D. Duncum), and that each question in the foregoing deposition was orally propounded to the said Felix D. Duncum and the foregoing answers severally given by him thereto before he signed the same and after being sworn according to law; that I have called his attention to the law and penalties against false swearing; and that the foregoing deposition was sworn to and subscribed before me this 16 day of June, A. D. 18 88

[Signature] (or Receiver)

## SPECIAL CERTIFICATE.

(To be used in all cases when proof is made before a clerk of court or judge of probate.)

\_\_\_\_\_ ss: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ in and for \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby certify that the claimant \_\_\_\_\_ and his witnesses \_\_\_\_\_ in this proof were identified by \_\_\_\_\_ to be the identical persons named in the published notice herein.

That before proceeding to take the proof and testimony I read to the claimant and to each of the witnesses Section 5392 of the Revised Statutes of the United States and explained to each of them the import and meaning thereof.

That each of the printed questions in the testimony was read to said claimant and to each of said witnesses, and their respective answers thereto were by me reduced to writing and read to each respectively, and was there and then by them subscribed and sworn to before me.

That said proof and affidavits were taken and made between the hours of eight A. M. and six o'clock P. M. on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1888, at my office at \_\_\_\_\_, in said \_\_\_\_\_.

That no protest or objection of any kind against said proof has been made or filed in my office by any person.

Given under my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1888.

We hereby certify that the within and foregoing testimony of claimant and witnesses has been carefully examined by us before transmittal to the General Land Office.

A. F. Sweeney

Register.

W. M. Townsend

Receiver.

## TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

Proc. D. S. No. 3094 Cash No. 1017

Orig. Hd. No. \_\_\_\_\_ F. C. No. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CLAIMANT,

Samuel S. Townsend

LAND OFFICE AT

Latterman Co

Approved:

A. F. Sweeney, Register.

W. M. Townsend, Receiver.

[800-50 M.]

[4-369 b.]



# HOMESTEAD, PRE-EMPTION, AND COMMUTATION PROOF.

## TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

(The testimony of two witnesses, taken separately, in addition to the testimony of claimant, is required in each case.)

(The testimony of witnesses must be taken at the same time and place and before the same officer as claimant's final affidavit.)

The answers must be full and complete to each and every question asked, and officers taking testimony will be expected to make no mistakes in dates, description of land, or otherwise.

Question 1.—What is your true name (Christian and surname), given in full, your age, residence, and present position?  
(Give description of land on which you reside, quarter section, township, and range.)

Answer.

John C. Porter 35, Silver Lake, Minn.  
Silver Lake Lake Co. Co.  
NE 1/2 of Sec 14 Tp 28 R. 14 E.

Ques. 2.—What is your present occupation, and where and by whom have you been employed since Dec 1/89, the date of claimant's alleged settlement on said tract?

Ans.

Stockraiser & Farmer. By myself. Silver Lake

Ques. 3.—Are you related to claimant or in any way interested in this claim, or are you connected with him in business of any kind?

Ans.

No - No - No -

Ques. 4.—How far from the residence of claimant, on said tract, do you reside, and how long have you lived there?

Ans.

Claimant joins my place on the East. 9 years.

Ques. 5.—Give the names and residence of two or more persons living nearer to the claimant of this tract than yourself. If none are nearer than you, give the names of two or more next nearest, and state the land on which they reside.

Ans.

W. L. Roberts, Silver Lake, Minn. John H. Kuntz, Silver Lake, Minn.

P.O. address—Silver Lake Lake Co. Co.

Ques. 6.—How long have you known S. G. Secum, the claimant, for whom you appear as a witness, where has he been living since you first knew him up to the present time, and is he the identical person he represents himself to be?

Ans.

9 years. In Silver Lake. I think so.

Ques. 7.—Are you well acquainted with the land embraced in this claim? Give correct description thereof; also state the extent of your knowledge, and how you know what you affirm.

Ans.

Yes, NW 1/4 Sec 13 Tp. 28 S R 14 E.

By frequently passing over the land —  
Have seen the Corner Stone.

Ques. 8.—How often have you been on this tract of land since claimant's alleged settlement thereon, at what time or times, and when did you last see him on the land?

Ans.

Have been on the land off & on since 1881, he was made it his home since 1881 June 13<sup>th</sup> 1888

Ques. 9.—Is said tract within the limits of an incorporated town or selected site of a city or town, or used in any way for trade or business?

Ans.

No Sir

Ques. 10.—State specifically the character of this land—whether it is timber, prairie, grazing, farming, coal, or mineral land.

Ans.

Prairie & Farming Land. Sandy Soil.

Ques. 11.—Are there any indications of coal, minerals, or salines on this land?

Ans.

No -

Ques. 12.—Is it within any stock range or fence or other inclosure? If so, give the names of the parties owning or in any manner controlling such inclosure or range.

Ans.

None only his own fence



Ques. 13.—If the land is timber land, state whether the timber, or any portion thereof, and what portion, if any, has been cut or removed, and by whom?

Ans.

No Timber,

Ques. 14.—What is this land used for, and who (if any one) besides the claimant is in any manner interested in or uses or controls the land or claims the timber thereon?

Ans.

Farming & Grazing Purposes & A Home,  
No One to my Knowledge.

Ques. 15.—What has been claimant's occupation since you first knew him, and where has he been employed, and by whom?

Ans.

Stock Raising, on Silver Lake, by Himself.

Ques. 16.—Has he had any other living or boarding place than on this land during the existence of his present claim? If so, state where he has been living or stopping.

Ans.

Not to my Knowledge.

Ques. 17.—Does claimant's family reside on said land? When did they move thereon? How long have they lived there, and do they still reside thereon? If not, where do they reside?

Ans.

Yes Sir, Feb 1887 Ever since,  
Yes Sir,

Ques. 18.—Has claimant's family been absent from said land since moving there? If so, state how often, how long each time, and the cause of said absence or absences.

Ans.

No Sir,

Ques. 19.—State in full and in detail all the facts within your knowledge as to claimant's actual residence upon this claim; when and how often you have seen him upon the land; what were the evidences that he actually lived on the tract; how long he has lived there, and whether he lives there now.

Ans.

He has made that his residence & Home since the fall of 1881. Have seen him there quite frequently since 1881, say ever few days. Have ate & slept with him & by the improvements that he has made, since the fall of 1881.  
Yes Sir,

Ques. 20.—If claimant has been absent from said land since his alleged settlement, state fully how often, when, how long each time, and for what purpose.

Ans.

He went to see his parents & was gone about 8 months.

He has only been absent this one time.

Ques. Is claimant the owner of 820 acres in this or any other state or territory?

Ans Not to my Knowledge.

Ques. 21.—State in detail the character of the improvements; what they consist of, and when they were made; the value of each distinct improvement, fully describing the same; also whether they were made by the claimant or by some other person.

Ans. Sag House 15x20 Shake Roof - Has shed 10x20 -  
Floored & Papered & Ceiled - Val - \$200 - Chicken House,  
Granary & Wagon shed - \$100 - Stable & Hay shed val \$75 -  
Well \$20 - Was the place fenced, \$300 Has 3 Corals  
\$100 - Total \$785,  
The improvements have been made since 1881  
by Himself?

Ques. 22.—Give the size, construction, and material of claimant's house on said tract, and also state whether the same is habitable during all seasons of the year.

Ans. 15x20 Log & Lumber, nail made,  
Yes.

Ques. 23.—What is this land worth, and was it ever offered for sale?

Ans. \$7 pr Acre Not to my knowledge.

Ques. 24.—When did claimant commence living upon this land?

Ans. (In the fall of 1881)

Ques. 25.—How much of said land has been broken, how much plowed since being broken, and how much put into crop each season? State kind of crops raised, their value, and number of seasons crops were raised.

Ans. About 10 acres, yes has been sown -  
Hay & Grain Hay,  
6 years -

Ques. 26.—Is said land in crops this season, or has it been prepared for cropping the coming season?

Ans. Yes.

Ques. 27.—Do you believe that claimant intends to continue his residence on this land after making final proof, or does he intend to remove therefrom?

Ans. Yes Sir!

Ques. 28.—Does claimant, with his family, reside on said land at the present time? You will explain how you know he has resided there, as you have heretofore stated.

Ans. Yes Sir, Have seen him & his family  
there & staid with him before he married -

Has he leave or abandon a residence on his own  
Land in this State to reside on the Land now  
claimed by him.

Ans, Not to my knowlege

[Signature of witness.]

John C. Porter



U. S. LAND OFFICE,

Lakerain

June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1888

I HEREBY CERTIFY that

John C. Porter

personally appeared before me; that

he is a credible witness, and is personally known to me (or has been satisfactorily identified before me by

John C. Porter), and that each question in the foregoing deposition was orally propounded to the said

John C. Porter and the foregoing answers severally given by him thereto before he signed

the same and after being sworn according to law; that I have called his attention to the law and penalties against false swearing;

and that the foregoing deposition was sworn to and subscribed before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June

A. D. 1888

W. M. Townsend  
Register (Receiver).

## SPECIAL CERTIFICATE.

(To be used in all cases when proof is made before a clerk of court or judge of probate.)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby certify that

the claimant \_\_\_\_\_ and his witnesses \_\_\_\_\_

in this proof were identified by \_\_\_\_\_

to be the identical persons named in the published notice herein.

That before proceeding to take the proof and testimony I read to the claimant and to each of the witnesses Section 5392 of the Revised Statutes of the United States and explained to each of them the import and meaning thereof.

That each of the printed questions in the testimony was read to said claimant and to each of said witnesses, and their respective answers thereto were by me reduced to writing and read to each respectively, and was there and then by them subscribed and sworn to before me.

That said proof and affidavits were taken and made between the hours of eight A. M. and six o'clock P. M. on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1888, at my office at \_\_\_\_\_, in said \_\_\_\_\_.

That no protest or objection of any kind against said proof has been made or filed in my office by any person.

Given under my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1888.

We hereby certify that the within and foregoing testimony of claimant and witnesses has been carefully examined by us before transmittal to the General Land Office.

W. M. Townsend  
Register.  
Receiver.

## TESTIMONY OF WITNESS.

[4-369 b.]

Proc. D. S. No. 3094 Cash No. 1017

Orig. Hd. No. \_\_\_\_\_ F. C. No. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CLAIMANT,

Lamar &amp; Co.

LAND OFFICE AT

Lakerain

Approved:

W. M. Townsend, Register.

W. M. Townsend, Receiver.

[808-50 M.]



REGISTER'S FINAL CERTIFICATE

DESERT LAND ACT, MARCH 3, 1877.

U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT

*LaBeeville, Oregon*

No. *70*

*153*

*28-10-7*

*Recommended for Patent  
referred to S. M. O'Connell  
Oct 9. 1889*

*Sept 18 1889  
Per John L. Gage 455*

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# DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

REGISTER'S FINAL CERTIFICATE, }

No. 70

{ DECLARATION,

No. 155

Land Office at Lakeview, Oregon

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1888.

It is hereby certified That, in pursuance of the act of Congress approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of Desert Lands in certain States and Territories,"

Samuel G. Coram, of Lake

County, State ~~or Territory~~ of Oregon, has purchased of the Register of this

Office, and made payment in full for the land described as follows, to wit:

Southwest quarter of Sec. 13, & North  
half of Northwest quarter Sec. 24, T. 6  
28, R. 12, S. 12, Co. 1, Range 12

containing 240 acres, at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre,  
amounting to 300. dollars.

Now, therefore, be it known That, on presentation of this certificate to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, the said Samuel G. Coram  
shall be entitled to receive a patent for the tract of land above described.

\* 14 Oct.

A. F. Linsley  
Register.

[NOTE.—See Original Declaration and Receipt, No. \_\_\_\_\_.]

[4-274.]

U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT

*Larview On*

No. *155*

Desert Land Act, March 3, 1877.

DECLARATION

*J. J. Corum*

*Harlow*

*Aug 4<sup>th</sup>, 1885.*

Sec. *13* m., Tp. *28* f., Range *146*

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## DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

## DECLARATION.

No. 155.

Land Office at State of Oregon County of Lake

August 1st, 1885.

I, A. G. Horn, of Lake

County, Oregon, being duly

sworn, depose and declare: That I am a citizen of the United States, of the age of Thirty-one

and a resident of said county and State, and by occupation a

Stock raiser; that I intend to reclaim a tract of desert land, not exceeding one

section, by conducting water upon the same, within three years from date, under the provisions of the

act of Congress approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in

certain States and Territories." The desert land which I intend to reclaim does not exceed one section,

and is situated in Lake County, in the Lakeview Or

Land District, and is described as follows, to wit: the S W 1/4 Sec 13

N 1/2 of N W 1/4 of Section No. 24, Township

No. 28 S, Range No. 14 E, containing 240 acres. I further

depose, that I have made no other declaration for desert lands under the provisions of said act; that the

land above described will not, without irrigation, produce an agricultural crop; that there is no timber grow-

ing upon said land; that there is not, to my knowledge, within the limits thereof, any vein or lode of quartz,

or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, or copper, or any deposit of coal; that there

is not within the limits of said land, to my knowledge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other valuable

mineral deposit or salines; that no portion of said land is claimed for mining purposes, under the local

customs or rules of miners or otherwise; that no portion of said land is worked for mineral during any

part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially non-mineral land; that I became

acquainted with said land by residing in the immediate vicinity of

these lands for the last six years and passing over

the same frequently, and that my declaration therefor is not made for the purpose of fraudulently

obtaining title to mineral land, timber land, or agricultural land, but for the purpose of faithfully re-

claiming, within three years from the date hereof, by conducting water thereon, a tract of land which is

desert land within the meaning of the act.

Samuel G. Horn

Land Office at Lake County Oregon

Aug 1st, 1885.

I hereby certify that the foregoing declaration was this day sworn to and subscribed before me.

A. F. Snelling C. Clerk

Register

By J. H. Clayton

Deputy Receiver



## DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

## AFFIDAVIT.

No. 155.

Land Office at Lakeview OregonJuly 24, 1885.I, W L Roberts, of LakeviewCounty, State of Oregon, being duly sworn, declare upon oath: ThatI am a resident of said County and State; that I am of the age of27 years, and by occupation a Stockraiser; that I am well

acquainted with the character of each and every legal subdivision of the following-described land: the

SW<sup>4</sup> Sec 13. N<sup>2</sup> of NW<sup>4</sup>Section No. 24, Township No. 28 S, Range No. 14 E, contain-ing 240 acres; that I became acquainted with said land by riding in theimmediate vicinity for the last forty years and passing  
over the same frequently for that purposethat I have been acquainted with it for 6 years last past; that I have frequently  
passed over it; that my knowledge of said land is such as to enable me to testify understandingly con-  
cerning it; that the same is desert land within the meaning of the second section of the act of Congress  
approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and  
Territories;" that said land will not, without artificial irrigation, produce any agricultural crop; that no  
agricultural crop has ever been raised or cultivated on said land for the reason that it does not contain  
sufficient moisture for successful cultivation; that the same is essentially dry and arid land, wholly unfit  
for cultivation without artificial irrigation; that said land cannot be successfully cultivated without re-  
clamation by conducting water thereon; that said land has hitherto been unappropriated, unoccupied,  
and unsettled, because it has been impossible to cultivate it successfully on account of its dry and arid  
condition; that it is a fact well known, patent, and notorious, that the same will not, in its natural con-  
dition, produce any crop; that the land is the Class of lands known asdesert land and is covered with Sage  
brush; that there is no timber growing thereon, but that it isdevoid of timber; that there is not, to my knowledge, within the limits thereof, any vein or lode of  
quartz, or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, or copper, or any deposit of coal;  
that there is not, within the limits of said land, to my knowledge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other  
valuable mineral deposit or salines; that no portion of said land is claimed for mining purposes under  
the local customs or rules of miners or otherwise; that no portion of said land is worked for mineral  
during any part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially non-mineral land;  
that I am not interested in any way or manner, directly or indirectly, present or prospective, in any  
application or declaration made or to be made for said land, or in the land itself, or in the title which  
may by any person or in any manner be acquired thereto.W L RobertsLand Office at Lakeview O,July 27th, 1885.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above affidavit was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that

W L Roberts, whose name is affixed thereto, is a person of re-  
spectability, to whose testimony full credence should be given.Harmon Smith

Register.



## DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

## AFFIDAVIT.

No. 155Land Office at Lakeview OregonJuly 24, 1885

I, U. F. Ashier, of Lakeview  
County, State of Oregon, being duly sworn, declare upon oath: That  
I am a resident of said County and State; that I am of the age of

34 years, and by occupation a Stock raiser; that I am well  
acquainted with the character of each and every legal subdivision of the following-described land: the

SW 1/4 Sec 13. T2 of N2

Section No. 24, Township No. 28 S, Range No. 14 E, contain-  
ing 240 acres; that I became acquainted with said land by residing in the

immediate vicinity for the last six years and passing over  
the same frequently that I have been acquainted with it for 6 years last past; that I have frequently

passed over it; that my knowledge of said land is such as to enable me to testify understandingly concern-  
ing it; that the same is desert land within the meaning of the second section of the act of Congress  
approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and  
Territories;" that said land will not, without artificial irrigation, produce any agricultural crop; that no  
agricultural crop has ever been raised or cultivated on said land for the reason that it does not contain  
sufficient moisture for successful cultivation; that the same is essentially dry and arid land, wholly unfit  
for cultivation without artificial irrigation; that said land cannot be successfully cultivated without re-  
clamation by conducting water thereon; that said land has hitherto been unappropriated, unoccupied,  
and unsettled, because it has been impossible to cultivate it successfully on account of its dry and arid  
condition; that it is a fact well known, patent, and notorious, that the same will not, in its natural con-  
dition, produce any crop; that the land is the Class of lands known as

desert lands and are covered with sage brush

; that there is no timber growing thereon, but that it is  
devoid of timber; that there is not, to my knowledge, within the limits thereof, any vein or lode of  
quartz, or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, or copper, or any deposit of coal;  
that there is not, within the limits of said land, to my knowledge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other  
valuable mineral deposit or salines; that no portion of said land is claimed for mining purposes under  
the local customs or rules of miners or otherwise; that no portion of said land is worked for mineral  
during any part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially non-mineral land;  
that I am not interested in any way or manner, directly or indirectly, present or prospective, in any  
application or declaration made or to be made for said land, or in the land itself, or in the title which  
may by any person or in any manner be acquired thereto.

U. F. Ashier

Land Office at Lakeview Or

July 24th, 1885

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above affidavit was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that  
U. F. Ashier, whose name is affixed thereto, is a person of re-  
spectability, to whose testimony full credence should be given.

Warren Smith

Register.



No. 155  
 United States Land Office,

Laramie or  
Aug 4<sup>th</sup>, 1885.

It is hereby certified that under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and Territories," S. G. Corum

has this day filed in this Office his declaration of intention to reclaim the following-described tract of land, viz: S 24 1/4 Sec 3. 8

N 1/2 of N 24 1/4 Sec 3. 8 Tp 28 R 10 E  
 that he has proven to our satisfaction that the said tract of land is DESERT LAND as defined in the second section of said act, and that he has paid to the Receiver the sum of Sixty 7.00 dollars, being at the rate of twenty-five cents per acre for the land above described.

It is, therefore, further certified, that if within three years from the date hereof the said S. G. Corum, his heirs or legal representatives, shall satisfactorily prove that the said land has been reclaimed by carrying water thereon, and shall pay to the Receiver the additional sum of one dollar per acre for the land above described, he or they shall be entitled to receive a patent therefor under the provisions of the said act.

Warren Smith, Register.

W. M. Townsend, Receiver.

\$ 60.00

NOTE.—The word "heirs" is substituted in this form for the word "assignee," the Secretary of the Interior having declined to recognize the assignment of Desert Land Claims.

In U. S. Land Office  
Latterview Oregon

In the Matter of the  
Application of S. S. Leona  
to make a Desert Entry  
of S. E. 1/4 Sec 13 T. 28 S. R. 14 E.

Appeal

Filed Jan 1905.

le A. Leyswell  
1775  
8259 Atty for Comm

In the United States Land Office  
At Lakeview

In the matter of the Application of  
S G Corum to Enter the S E <sup>1/4</sup> Sec 13  
Tp 28 S R 14 under Desert Land Act  
of March 3. 1877

To the Register & Receiver  
Lakeview Land Office

Gentlemen:

You will please take notice  
that the applicant S G Corum  
Appeals from your decision made  
Dec 22. 1884 rejecting the above  
Application and as grounds of  
Error alleges:

The R & R Error in holding  
that said land could not be entered  
under provisions of Act of Congress  
Mar 3. 1877. until after the claim of  
the State of Oregon to these lands had  
been determined adversely to the State

Appellant therefore prays that  
the Hon Comm. reverse the decision  
of this office and direct that this  
Application be admitted to record



and that an investigation be had  
to determine the character of this  
land.

Given under my hand this  
2<sup>d</sup> day of Jan 1885-

W. H. Mayhew  
Atty for Comm.

## DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

## AFFIDAVIT.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Land Office at Lakeview OrDec 17, 1884.

I, George H Small, of Lakeview  
 County, State of Oregon, being duly sworn, declare upon oath: That  
 I am a resident of said County and State; that I am of the age of  
41 years, and by occupation a Stockman; that I am well  
 acquainted with the character of each and every legal subdivision of the following-described land: the  
South East Quarter

Section No. 13, Township No. 28 S, Range No. 14 E, contain-  
 ing 160 acres; that I became acquainted with said land by passing over

the land frequently for more than eight years  
 that I have been acquainted with it for Eight years last past; that I have frequently  
 passed over it; that my knowledge of said land is such as to enable me to testify understandingly con-  
 cerning it; that the same is desert land within the meaning of the second section of the act of Congress  
 approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and  
 Territories;" that said land will not, without artificial irrigation, produce any agricultural crop; that no  
 agricultural crop has ever been raised or cultivated on said land for the reason that it does not contain  
 sufficient moisture for successful cultivation; that the same is essentially dry and arid land, wholly unfit  
 for cultivation without artificial irrigation; that said land cannot be successfully cultivated without re-  
 clamation by conducting water thereon; that said land has hitherto been unappropriated, unoccupied,  
 and unsettled, because it has been impossible to cultivate it successfully on account of its dry and arid  
 condition; that it is a fact well known, patent, and notorious, that the same will not, in its natural con-  
 dition, produce any crop; that the land is the SE 1/4 Sec 13. T 28 S R 14 E

that there is no timber growing thereon, but that it is  
 devoid of timber; that there is not, to my knowledge, within the limits thereof, any vein or lode of  
 quartz, or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, or copper, or any deposit of coal;  
 that there is not, within the limits of said land, to my knowledge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other  
 valuable mineral deposit or salines; that no portion of said land is claimed for mining purposes under  
 the local customs or rules of miners or otherwise; that no portion of said land is worked for mineral  
 during any part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially non-mineral land;  
 that I am not interested in any way or manner, directly or indirectly, present or prospective, in any  
 application or declaration made or to be made for said land, or in the land itself, or in the title which  
 may by any person or in any manner be acquired thereto.

George H SmallLand Office at State of Oregon County of LakeviewDec 17, 1884.

CERTIFY that the above affidavit was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that  
George H Small, whose name is affixed thereto, is a person of re-  
 spected testimony full credence should be given.

A T Snelling County Clerk  
by C. H. Hoagwell  
his Deputy  
 Register.  
 Receiver.



## DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

## DECLARATION.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Land Office at Lakeview OregonDec 17, 1884.I, S G Corum, of Lake County Oregon

County, of \_\_\_\_\_ being duly

sworn, depose and declare: That I am a citizen of the United States, of the age of 30—and a resident of said county and State, and by occupation aStock raiser; that I intend to reclaim a tract of desert land, not exceeding one

section, by conducting water upon the same, within three years from date, under the provisions of the

act of Congress approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in

certain States and Territories." The desert land which I intend to reclaim does not exceed one section,

and is situated in Lake County, in the LakeviewLand District, and is described as follows, to wit: the South West Quarter\_\_\_\_\_ of Section No. 13, TownshipNo. 28 S, Range No. 14 E, containing 160 acres. I further

depose, that I have made no other declaration for desert lands under the provisions of said act; that the

land above described will not, without irrigation, produce an agricultural crop; that there is no timber grow-

ing upon said land; that there is not, to my knowledge, within the limits thereof, any vein or lode of quartz,

or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, or copper, or any deposit of coal; that there

is not within the limits of said land, to my knowledge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other valuable

mineral deposit or salines; that no portion of said land is claimed for mining purposes, under the local

customs or rules of miners or otherwise; that no portion of said land is worked for mineral during any

part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially non-mineral land; that I became

acquainted with said land by passing over them frequently forthe last six years

\_\_\_\_\_, and that my declaration therefor is not made for the purpose of fraudulently

obtaining title to mineral land, timber land, or agricultural land, but for the purpose of faithfully re-

claiming, within three years from the date hereof, by conducting water thereon, a tract of land which is

desert land within the meaning of the act. I have not made any contract or agreementrelative to the title which I may obtain to this land shall mine or otherwiseS G CorumLand Office at State of Oregon,  
County of Lake S.S., 1884.

That the foregoing declaration was this day sworn to and subscribed before me.

7 day of Dec 1884A. F. Snelling  
County Clerk.by C. A. Cogswell  
his deputy Receiver.



U. S. Land Office.  
Lawrence, Or.

Dec. 22, 1888

Registered for the reason that  
the tract herein described is  
claimed by the State of Oregon  
under the Swamp Land Grant

J. H. Evans  
Register.

James Knox  
Receiver.

[4-274.]

U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT

No.

Desert Land Act, March 3, 1877.

DECLARATION

18

Sec. ...., Tp. ...., Range .....

## DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

## AFFIDAVIT.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Land Office at Lakeview Or,Dec 17. 18, 1884.I, John Parlin, of LakeCounty, State of Oregon, being duly sworn, declare upon oath: ThatI am a resident of said County and State; that I am of the age of46 years, and by occupation a miner; that I am well

acquainted with the character of each and every legal subdivision of the following-described land: the

South West quarterSection No. 13, Township No. 28 S, Range No. 14 E, contain-ing 160 acres; that I became acquainted with said land by passing overthem frequently for the last seven yearsthat I have been acquainted with it for seven years last past; that I have frequently

passed over it; that my knowledge of said land is such as to enable me to testify understandingly con-

cerning it; that the same is desert land within the meaning of the second section of the act of Congress

approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and

Territories;" that said land will not, without artificial irrigation, produce any agricultural crop; that no

agricultural crop has ever been raised or cultivated on said land for the reason that it does not contain

sufficient moisture for successful cultivation; that the same is essentially dry and arid land, wholly unfit

for cultivation without artificial irrigation; that said land cannot be successfully cultivated without re-

clamation by conducting water thereon; that said land has hitherto been unappropriated, unoccupied,

and unsettled, because it has been impossible to cultivate it successfully on account of its dry and arid

condition; that it is a fact well known, patent, and notorious, that the same will not, in its natural con-

dition, produce any crop; that the land is the South West quarter of Sect13 Tp 28 S R 14 E

; that there is no timber growing thereon, but that it is

devoid of timber; that there is not, to my knowledge, within the limits thereof, any vein or lode of

quartz, or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, or copper, or any deposit of coal;

that there is not, within the limits of said land, to my knowledge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other

valuable mineral deposit or salines; that no portion of said land is claimed for mining purposes under

the local customs or rules of miners or otherwise; that no portion of said land is worked for mineral

during any part of the year by any person or persons; that said land is essentially non-mineral land;

that I am not interested in any way or manner, directly or indirectly, present or prospective, in any

application or declaration made or to be made for said land, or in the land itself, or in the title which

may by any person or in any manner be acquired thereto.

Witness

J. J. Buick Land Office at State of Oregon,County of Lake 83, 188417 day of Dec

I certify that the above affidavit was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that

John Parlin, whose name is affixed thereto, is a person of re-

sponsible testimony full credence should be given.

A. F. Snelling County Clerk

Register.

by C. A. Cogswellhis deputy

Receiver.



U S Land Office  
Lakeview or Nov 21/89

Patent granted to Sh. Corum at Silver  
Lake on the above date

Harriet Smith

Register

RECEIVER'S FINAL RECEIPT.

DESERT LAND ACT, MARCH 3, 1877.

U. S. LAND OFFICE

Sh. Corum

No.

70

Nov 29



DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

RECEIVER'S FINAL RECEIPT, }

No. 70

PAT. DELIVERED BY R.R.

{ DECLARATION,

{ No. 155

Grand Office at La Grange, Oregon

June 16, 1888.

Received from

Samuel G. Coram

of

Lake

County, State or Territory of

Oregon

the sum of

\$240

dollars and

cents, being final payment of one

dollar per acre for the

South West quarter of Sec. 13, 2

West half of North West quarter Section

24 T<sup>1</sup> 28, South of Range 14 East

containing

240

acres, at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, the sum of twenty-

five cents per acre having been heretofore paid, as per Original Receipt No. 155

W. M. Townsend

Receiver.

\$ 240.00

## DESERT LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877.

RECEIVER'S FINAL RECEIPT, }

No. 70

{ DECLARATION,

{ No. 155Land Office at Lakeview OregonJune 16, 1888

Received from

Samuel G. Coram

of

Lake

County, State or Territory of

Oregon

the sum of

240

dollars and

cents,

being final payment of one

dollar per acre for the

Southwest quarter Sec. 13, North  
half of Northwest quarter Sec. 24, T4S  
26 South of Range 14 East

containing

240

acres, at one dollar and twenty-five cents

per acre, the sum of twenty-

five cents per acre having been heretofore paid, as per Original Receipt No.

155M. M. Townsend

Receiver.

\$ 240.

No. 155

## United States Land Office,

Lagunillas Or  
Aug 27th, 1885.

It is hereby certified that under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and Territories," S. G. Corum

has this day filed in this Office his declaration of intention to reclaim the following-described tract of land, viz: South 1/4 Sec 13.

N 1/2 of 2 1/4 Sec 24. & p 28 SR 14 E.  
that he has proven to our satisfaction that the said tract of land is DESERT LAND as defined in the second section of said act, and that he has paid to the Receiver the sum of Sixty Two dollars, being at the rate of twenty-five cents per acre for the land above described.

It is, therefore, further certified, that if within three years from the date hereof the said S. G. Corum, his heirs or legal representatives, shall satisfactorily prove that the said land has been reclaimed by carrying water thereon, and shall pay to the Receiver the additional sum of one dollar per acre for the land above described, he or they shall be entitled to receive a patent therefor under the provisions of the said act.

Marion Truitt Register.

W. M. Powisend Receiver.

\$ 60.00

NOTE.—The word "heirs" is substituted in this form for the word "assignee," the Secretary of the Interior having declined to recognize the assignment of Desert Land Claims.



Lakeview Oregon. June 24 1888

Received from

Register Land Office \$10.00

for publishing the annexed notice of Sam. G. Cornum in the  
LAKE COUNTY EXAMINER.

Beach & Beach

Publishers.

I,

S. L. Beach

being first duly sworn, do say, that I am one of the  
publishers of the Lake County Examiner,  
a weekly newspaper, printed and published at Lake-  
view, Lake County, Oregon, and of general circula-  
tion in Lake and adjoining counties; that the notice  
of ~~final proof~~ of which the annexed is a true  
and correct copy, was published in said Lake County  
Examiner, proper, and in the regular and entire is-  
sue of every number thereof, once a week for a period  
of six consecutive weeks, beginning on the  
31 day of May, 1888, and ending  
on the 7th day of June, 1888

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5 day of June, 1888

A. F. Sullivan  
Register

United States Land Office,

Lakeview, Oregon  
June 16, 1888

I,

A. F. Sullivan

Register, do hereby certify that a notice, a  
printed copy of which is hereto attached, was by me posted in a conspicuous place in my  
office for a period of thirty (30) days, I having first posted said notice on the 3  
day of May, 1888

A. F. Sullivan  
Register.

The depositions of two witnesses, in this form, taken separately, required in each case.

# Final Proof under the Desert-Land Act of March 3, 1877.

## DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

1. Question. State your name, age, residence, occupation, and post-office address.

Answer.

John C. Porter - 35 yrs. - Silver Lake, Lake County, Or. Stockraiser & Farmer  
P.O. Silver Lake, Lake County, Or.

2. Q. Are you acquainted with Samuel D. Conant who made desert-land entry No. 155 on the 4th day of August, A. D. 1885, upon the SW 1/4 Sec. 13, N 1/2 R 11 E, S 1/4 Sec. 24, T 1/4 28, S R. 11 E and how long have you known him?

A.

Yes - have known him 11 yrs.

3. Q. Have you personal knowledge of this land? State its situation, the character of the soil, its proximity to water, and what natural streams or bodies of water are upon, or pass through, or adjoin it.

A.

Yes - It is wellly situated, and is of a dry and sandy loam. Land is about 1/4 mile from <sup>any</sup> natural stream or body of water - and this is confined to its banks.

4. Q. Does the entryman own and control or have a clear right to water sufficient to properly and permanently irrigate all the land embraced in this entry?

A.

Yes -

5. Q. State the source and volume of the water supply, how acquired, and how maintained.

A.

Silver Creek - main ditch is about 10 ft wide & 2 1/3 ft deep - is acquired <sup>and maintained</sup> by recorded water right and prior appropriation.

6. Q. Has water been conducted upon the land embraced in said entry so as to irrigate and reclaim the same from its former condition to such extent that it will produce an agricultural crop? If so, give the number, dimensions, and capacity of the main ditch or ditches, and also of all the ditches on each legal subdivision of the land which are used in irrigating the same.

A.

Yes - There are 2 main ditches taken from a still larger ditch, from all which smaller ditches and furrows are taken irrigating all of the tract.

7. Q. Have you seen water distributed through and by means of said ditches over all the land in each legal subdivision of said entry? State the dates when such distribution took place, the duration thereof, and the quantity of water per acre used.

A.

Yes - have seen it frequently for 2 yrs. - in sufficient quantity to raise an agricultural crop.

8. Q. If there are any high points or uneven surfaces which are practically not susceptible of irrigation, state definitely the nature, situation, and area thereof.

A.

None -



9. Q. Has an agricultural crop of any kind been raised on the land as the result of such irrigation? If so, state the year when raised, the kind of crop, the quantity per acre, and the portion of the entry on which the same was raised.

A. A crop of oats was raised on a portion of said land in 1887. A crop of rye in 1886. which crops were a fair yield.

10. Q. If any lands adjacent to or in the vicinity of the land embraced in this entry are settled upon or occupied and crops of any kind raised thereon without artificial irrigation, describe the same, and state year or years of cultivation, kind of crop, and quantity raised per acre.

A.

11. Q. Has any coal or other minerals been discovered on said land, or is any coal or mineral known to be contained therein? Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on this land? If so, describe what they are.

A. None to my knowledge.

12. Q. Have you any interest, direct or indirect, in this entry or in the land covered thereby, or in the water supply used in its irrigation?

A.

I have not.

(Signature.)

John C. Porter

LAND OFFICE AT

Lakeview, Co.

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1888.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above affidavit was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that the same was read to affiant in my presence before he signed his name thereto; that said affiant is to me personally known (or has been satisfactorily identified before me by \_\_\_\_\_), and that I verily believe him to be a credible person and the person he represents himself to be, and that the land described is properly subject to entry under the Desert-Land act.

, Register.

A. M. Townsend Receiver.

NOTE.—The officer before whom the deposition is taken should call the attention of the witness to the following section of the Revised Statutes, and state to him that it is the purpose of the Government, if it be ascertained that he testifies falsely, to prosecute him to the full extent of the law.

TITLE LXX—CRIMES.—CHAP. 4.

SEC. 5392. Every person who, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed is true, willfully and contrary to such oath states or subscribes any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be punished by a fine of not more than two thousand dollars, and by imprisonment, at hard labor, not more than five years, and shall, moreover, thereafter be incapable of giving testimony in any court of the United States until such time as the judgment against him is reversed. [See § 1750.]

(4-373.)

FINAL PROOF

UNDER DESERT-LAND ACT, MARCH 3, 1877.

U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT

No.

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

11-20-11-1000

6-3-121



The depositions of two witnesses, in this form, taken separately, required in each case.

# Final Proof under the Desert-Land Act of March 3, 1877.

## DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

1. Question. State your name, age, residence, occupation, and post-office address.

Answer. *Felix D. Duncan - 30 yrs - Silver Lake, Lake County, Cal. - Farmer & Stockman - P. O. Silver Lake, Lake County, Cal.*

2. Q. Are you acquainted with *J. C. Brown*

who made desert-land entry No. *155* on the *4th* day of *August*, A. D. 1880, upon the *SW 1/4 Sec. 16, N 1/2 of NW 1/4 Sec. 24, T 28, S. R. 16 E* and how long have you known him?

A. *I am - Have known him ten or eleven years*

3. Q. Have you personal knowledge of this land? State its situation, the character of the soil, its proximity to water, and what natural streams or bodies of water are upon, or pass through, or adjoin it.

A. *Yes - generally level - soil is of a dry and sandy loam - no natural water on said tract - nearest stream of water is about 1/2 mile from the land is 9th confined to its channel*

4. Q. Does the entryman own and control or have a clear right to water sufficient to properly and permanently irrigate all the land embraced in this entry?

A. *He has*

5. Q. State the source and volume of the water supply, how acquired, and how maintained.

A. *Silver Creek - main ditch <sup>from water pit below</sup> is about 10 ft. wide & 2 1/2 ft. deep, acquired by recording water right and thus maintained*

6. Q. Has water been conducted upon the land embraced in said entry so as to irrigate and reclaim the same from its former condition to such extent that it will produce an agricultural crop? If so, give the number, dimensions, and capacity of the main ditch or ditches, and also of all the ditches on each legal subdivision of the land which are used in irrigating the same.

A. *He has. There are two ditches about 4 ft. wide and from 10 to 12 inches deep, and also one ditch of greater dimension, from which smaller ditches are taken, which conduct the water over the whole of said land*

7. Q. Have you seen water distributed through and by means of said ditches over all the land in each legal subdivision of said entry? State the dates when such distribution took place, the duration thereof, and the quantity of water per acre used.

A. *Yes - first saw the water on this tract about 2 yrs. ago - have since seen it upon the land during the cropping season of the year (May) in sufficient quantity to irrigate all of tract.*

8. Q. If there are any high points or uneven surfaces which are practically not susceptible of irrigation, state definitely the nature, situation, and area thereof.

A. *There are none*

9. Q. Has an agricultural crop of any kind been raised on the land as the result of such irrigation? If so, state the year when raised, the kind of crop, the quantity per acre, and the portion of the entry on which the same was raised.

A. *It has - Oats was raised on a portion of said tract with a good yield per acre - crop raised in 1887.*

10. Q. If any lands adjacent to or in the vicinity of the land embraced in this entry are settled upon or occupied and crops of any kind, raised thereon without artificial irrigation, describe the same, and state year or years of cultivation, kind of crop, and quantity raised per acre.

A. *There are none.*

11. Q. Has any coal or other minerals been discovered on said land, or is any coal or mineral known to be contained therein? Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on this land? If so, describe what they are.

A. *None that I know of.*

12. Q. Have you any interest, direct or indirect, in this entry or in the land covered thereby, or in the water supply used in its irrigation?

A. *I have not.*

(Signature.)

*Helij. D. Dimeas*

LAND OFFICE AT

*Lakeview, Or.*

*June 16<sup>th</sup>*, 1888.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above affidavit was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that the same was read to affiant in my presence before he signed his name thereto; that said affiant is to me personally known ~~(or has been satisfactorily identified before me by \_\_\_\_\_)~~ and that I verily believe him to be a credible person and the person he represents himself to be, and that the land described is properly subject to entry under the Desert-Land act.

, Register.

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(4-373.)

FINAL PROOF

UNDER DESERT-LAND ACT, MARCH 3, 1877.

U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT

No.

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

Deposited - 1888

6-22



Water Rights

A. G. Korum x

State of Oregon }  
County of Lane } ss

I certify the within  
instrument was re-  
ceived by me and  
recorded in Water  
Rights. Record Vol 6  
page 137 this 15 day  
of June 1888

Will T Boyd  
County Clerk

## Water Right.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day taken up and appropriated Four Hundred inches of Water flowing in Silver Creek, for the purpose of irrigation.

Said water to be diverted from the creek near the S.W. corner of S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of N.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec 22, T<sub>6</sub>S, R<sub>28</sub>W, south of Range 17 East.

And to be conducted in a Easterly direction on to the S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec 13 and the N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of N.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec 24, T<sub>6</sub>S, R<sub>28</sub>W south of Range 17 East, by means of a ditch.

Given under my hand this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 1888.

D. S. Corum.



The small lines show  
location of irrigating ditches.

Centre Sec. 13.



all in 2 p.  
28 R. 10.  
→ Channel or ditch.

Centre Sec. 24

Diagram showing location  
of ditches & improvements on  
R. L. E. 155. by S. G. Connor.

The whole tract is enclosed  
by a 5 rail high, rail  
fence.

FINAL PROOF

UNDER

Desert-Land Act,

MARCH 3, 1877.

U. S. LAND OFFICE AT

*Lafayette, Oregon.*

*No. 70.*

DEPOSITION OF APPLICANT

*Samuel G. Cornum.*

(10808—2,000.)

## Final Proof under the Desert-Land Act of March 3, 1877.

## DEPOSITION OF APPLICANT.

1. Q. State your name, age, occupation, residence, and post-office address.

A. Samuel G. Corum, age 34 years,  
Farmer and Stock-raiser, Lake Co., Oregon. P.O. Address:  
Silver Lake, Lake Co., Oregon.

2. Q. Are you a citizen of the United States, or, if not, have you declared your intention to become such?

A. I am a native citizen.

3. Q. Give the number and date of the desert-land entry heretofore made by you, and describe the land embraced therein.

A. No. 155, dated August 4<sup>th</sup>, 1885, for  
SW 1/4, Sec. 13, N 1/2 of NW 1/4, Sec. 24, T 28 N 14 E.

4. Q. State its situation, the character of the soil, its proximity to water, and what natural streams or bodies of water are upon, or pass through, or adjoin it.

A. Situated in Silver Lake Valley, Lake Co., Oregon, - nearly  
level, of a dry sandy character, situated about  
1/4 mile from Silver Creek, or, a tributary thereof,  
and there is no natural water upon it.

5. Q. Do you own and control, or have you a clear right to, the use of water sufficient to irrigate the whole of the land and for keeping the same permanently irrigated?

A. I do <sup>not</sup> have such right.

6. Q. State the source and volume of the water supply, how acquired by you, and how maintained.

A. The water is taken from a ditch flowing out  
of Silver Creek <sup>and</sup> I have appropriated 400 inches of it,  
acquired by my being the first to use it, <sup>and</sup> by a  
record right, <sup>and</sup> maintained by my actual  
usage thereof.

7. Q. State from personal knowledge whether such water has been conducted during any one season upon all the land embraced in your entry, and if the same has been irrigated and reclaimed from its desert condition to such an extent that it will now produce an agricultural crop.

A. It has, <sup>and</sup> the same has been so  
irrigated <sup>and</sup> reclaimed.



8. Q. State also the number, dimensions, and carrying capacity of the main ditch or ditches, and also of all the ditches on each legal subdivision of the land which are used in irrigating the same.

A. Two main ditches, each about 4 ft wide and 10 or 12 in deep, and about 1/4 mile long to where they are subdivided into numerous small ditches and furrows, conveying water over the portion of the entry in Sec. 13 and besides these I take small ditches from there and also from the main channel or ditch to spread all over the land. By means of these ditches I distribute water over all the land in each legal subdivision of your entry with a view to the proper reclamation thereof, and if so, state the dates when each distribution was made, and the quantity of water per acre used, and the time occupied in making the same, in each and every year.

A. I have since 1886 I took water once a portion in 1887 over the whole tract and in 1888 over the whole tract, - Each year from about the last of March until the latter part of May - In 1887 I kept it on until in July. Cannot give quantities in inches but it was sufficient to thoroughly irrigate all of it. I was working on the ditches a great part of the season.

10. Q. If there are any high points or uneven surfaces which are practically not susceptible of irrigation, state definitely the nature, situation, extent, and area of the same.

A. There are none.

11. Q. Has an agricultural crop of any kind been raised on the land as the result of such irrigation? If so, state the kind of crop and the quantity per acre, and describe the portion of the entry on which the same was raised.

A. Yes, about 22 acres, of oats in 1887, upon the N 1/2 of S 1/4 Sec. 13, - produced a good crop. - I could not save all as had to tramp it out but got about 35 Bu. per acre. - This year, 1888, there are about 100 acres in timothy and oats & barley, - covering the greater portion of the S 1/4 Sec. 13. - Crop promises good.

12. Q. If any lands adjacent to or in the vicinity of the land embraced in this entry are settled upon or occupied, and crops of any kind are or have been raised thereon without artificial irrigation, describe the same, and state year or years of cultivation, the kind of crop, and quantity raised per acre.

A. There are no such lands there.

13. Q. Has any coal or other minerals been discovered on said land, or is any coal or mineral known to be contained therein?

A. No, not to my knowledge.

14. Q. Are there any indications of coal, salines, or minerals of any kind on this land? If so, describe what they are.

A. Not that I know of.

15. Q. Have you the sole and entire interest in said entry, and in the tract covered thereby, and in the right to the water sufficient to continuously irrigate the same?

A. *I have.*

16. Q. Has any other person, individual, company, or corporation, any interest whatever in said entry, tract, or water appropriation? If so, give the name, residence, and occupation of each such person, the name, business, and locality of any such corporation or company, and the nature, amount, and extent of such interest.

A. *No.*

17. Q. Have you made any other desert-land entry, or have you become the assignee of any other such entry, or have you any interest, direct or indirect, in any other entry under the desert-land act?

A. *No.*

*Samuel G. Corum*

NOTE.—A correct diagram, showing the location of all ditches and improvements, must be furnished by claimant.

LAND OFFICE AT

*Lakeview, Or.*  
*June 16th*, 1888.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing affidavit was read to affiant in my presence before he signed his name thereto; that said affiant is to me personally known, (or has been satisfactorily identified before me by \_\_\_\_\_), and that I verily believe him to be a credible person and the person he represents himself to be, and that this affidavit was subscribed and sworn to before me at my office in *Lakeview*, on this *16th* day of *June*, 1888.

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*M. M. Townsend* Receiver.

NOTE.—The officer before whom the deposition is taken should call the attention of the witness to the following section of the Revised Statutes, and state to him that it is the purpose of the Government, if it be ascertained that he testifies falsely, to prosecute him to the full extent of the law.

TITLE LXX—CRIMES—CHAP. 4.

SEC. 5392. Every person who, having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, or that any written testimony, declaration, deposition, or certificate by him subscribed is true, willfully and contrary to such oath states or subscribes any material matter which he does not believe to be true, is guilty of perjury, and shall be punished by a fine of not more than two thousand dollars, and by imprisonment, at hard labor not more than five years, and shall, moreover, thereafter be incapable of giving testimony in any court of the United States until such time as the judgment against him is reversed. [See § 1750.]