

State of Washington

to

William Butler.

Duplicate.

This Lease, made and entered into this 1st day of December 1897, by and between the State of Washington, party of the first part, and William Butler, party of the second part.

Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of Three and 90/100 (\$3.90) Dollars per year, to be paid to the Treasurer of the State of Washington yearly in advance, and in consideration of the covenants hereinafter contained, the State of Washington doth lease to the party of the second part that tract or parcel of land situate in the County of Skamania, State of Washington, and described as follows, - to-wit:

Lot One (1), of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Two (2) North, of Range six (6) East, T. M., containing 39 acres, more or less, according to the U. S. Government survey thereof. for the period of Five (5) years from the date of this instrument.

As a further consideration the following covenants are mutually agreed to:

The payment of the above mentioned annual rent to the Treasurer of the State of Washington yearly in advance is of the essence of this contract, and the same shall be, and is a condition precedent to the execution and continuance of this lease or any rights thereunder, and if said annual rent shall not be paid within sixty days from date due upon notice served by the Commissioner of Public Lands, this lease shall be null and void.

The State of Washington reserves the right to grant right-of-way on, through or over said land for public road or logging road purposes.

The lessee herein may not cut or destroy timber on said land except for home building or other domestic purposes, or what clearing may be necessary for cultivation, and upon breach of this covenant shall forfeit his rights under this lease.

The lessee herein may exercise the preference right to re-lease the lands herein described at the highest rate bid at time of re-appraisement.

All improvements placed upon said land by the lessee, capable of removal without damage to the land, where the lease is yielded to the State prior to any application to purchase said land, may be removed by the lessee or at his option may remain on the land subject to purchase or hire according to the provisions of an act relating to lease, etc., of state lands, approved March 16, 1897.

All fencing and improvements placed upon the above described land shall attach to and become a part of the realty unless moved or sold under the provisions of the act relating to lease, etc., of state lands, approved March 16, 1897, within three years after termination by surrender or limitation of lease or re-lease.

No Statutory right vested in lessee is waived hereby and lessee expressly agrees to all covenants herein and binds himself, or themselves for the payment of rent as hereinbefore set up.

This day and year above written.

Witnesses as to Lessee:

Geo. H. Thompson

Ernest Gramston

The State of Washington

By Robert Bridges.

Commissioner of Public Lands.

William Butler

Lessee.

P.O. address of Lessee - Marv Landing, County of Skamania, State of Washington.

Filed for record by Wm. Butler, 14th November, 1900 at 4.15 P.M.

J. W. Hale

County Auditor

O.K. Geo. Willey

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