Patent Transmitted

July 13, 1917

CONFIRMED BY B. OF E. A.

Patent to contain reservation according to provisions of the Act of Aug. 30, 1890.
HELENA, MONTANA, March 22, 1917.

To the Commissioner of the General Land Office,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

On December 20, 1915, the Receiver of the United States Land Office at Helena issued to Anna C. Doig, widow and administratrix of Peter S. Doig, his receipt number 1754447 for $160, the final payment on desert land entry 8231-01387.

Mrs. Doig has asked me this morning to ascertain, if possible, when the patent may be issued. Will you kindly advise me at your early convenience, and oblige

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

President.
August 19, 1916.

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Helena-Claims
Doig, Peter S.
D. L. E. Helena 01387.

The Commissioner of the
General Land Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter "Helena 01387
'G' GC" of June 22, 1916, relative to the desert land entry
of Peter S. Doig described as NE¼ Sec. 8, T. 6 N., R. 5 E.,
M. M., within the Helena National Forest.

The Forest Service will enter no protest against
the issuance of patent for the land described.

It will be appreciated if the Forest Service is
informed of the final action taken on the claim in your
office.

Very truly yours,

Acting Forester.
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GENERAL LAND OFFICE
WASHINGTON June 22, 1916.

Request for information.

The Forester,
Department of Agriculture.

My dear Mr. Graves:

June 13, 1903, Peter S. Doig, made desert land entry 01367 for a tract of unsurveyed land in Meagher County, Montana, described by metes and bounds and estimated to contain 160 acres, upon which he submitted final proof September 28, 1907, the land still being unsurveyed, which proof was found satisfactory January 18, 1909.

December 16, 1914, the land in said entry having been included in the government surveys, claimant adjusted his entry to include land under such surveys described as the NW¼ Sec. 6, T. 5 N., R. 6 E., M. M., containing 160 acres, and February 1, 1916, final certif-
icate issued for the land embraced in the adjusted description. It appears from the records of this office that on October 3, 1905, the land described in the adjustment was embraced in the Gallatin National Forest, and is still included within said forest. It is desired before proceeding to patent this entry that you inform this office whether or not your office has any objections to the patenting of this entry under the adjusted description.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

Assistant Commissioner.
Status Clerk: Helena 01387

Please furnish status appearing on the Tract Books affecting Desert Land entry No. 01387

Claimant's name: Peter S. Doig

Description: NE

Sec. 8  Tp. 5 N.  R. 5 E.  Meridian Montana

State: Montana  District: Helena

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June 15, 1916  Grant Crews Div. "E"

(Date of request)

(Full name of clerk)

Does posting and survey agree with above description... OK

(List 1/12)

Conflicts: Possible conflict with 012390 by 271 + 18

Adjustment: not posted

Withdrawals: Jump unit 4000 8 Feb. 17, 1904

Galatic hill Forest Oct. 3, 1903

Coal 10.4.1906 etc. 4 7/10. non-cont. restored 5/6/4

Information wanted as to

Plat filed: June 6, 1916

(Date furnished) 6/17/16 191

(Full name of clerk)

Same as above 6/27/16

This slip will be filed with case to which it pertains, and the status clerk, who must sign same, will be held responsible for its correctness.

x 012394 adjusted to SE5, said Sec. 5

CLAY TALLMAN,
Commissioner.
Department of the Interior,  
United States Land Office, Helena, Montana,  

DESERt LANDS.  

Certificate.  

Proof approved  
by "G" Jan. 18, 1909.  

Patent to contain reservation according  
to proviso to the Act of Aug. 30, 1890.  

It is hereby certified that, in pursuance of the act of Congress approved March 3, 1877, as amended by the act of March 3, 1891, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and Territories."

Peter S. Doig,  
Sixteen, Mont.  
of Meagher County, State of Montana  

has purchased of the Register of this Office, and made payment in full for the land described as follows, to wit:


NE
Section 8

Township 5 N., Range 5 E., Montana Meridian,  
containing 160 Acres,  
at the rate of $1.25 per acre, amounting to Two hundred  

Dollars and No Cents.

Now, therefore, be it known that, on presentation of this Certificate to the COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, said Peter S. Doig, shall be entitled to receive a Patent for the land above described.

NOTE.—A duplicate of this Certificate is issued to the claimant as notice of the allowance of the entry by the Register and Receiver.  
The original is forwarded to the General Land Office, with the entry papers, for approval by the Commissioner of the General Land Office and issuance of patent.  
The duplicate copy forwarded to the claimant should be held until notice of issuance of patent is received.  
In all correspondence concerning the entry in connection with which this Certificate issued, refer to the NAME OF THE LAND OFFICE and the SERIAL NUMBER noted hereon.

APPROVED September 6, 1914, subject to confirmation by the Board of General Appraisers.  

By Grant, Comm. Clerk, Division 3,
original application described lands in township 6 north, range 5 east, except that so far as she is aware no line was run to any government survey monuments, and that the land embraced within this desert was at that time believed to be lands which, when surveyed, would be in the southerly part of township 6 north, range 5 east.

WHEREFORE, Deponent respectfully asks that the desert land entry of Peter S. Doig, deceased, No. 8231, Serial 01387, be adjusted of record to describe the NE¼ of Sec. 6, T. 5 N., R. 5 E.

Anna C. Doig

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of December, 1915.

[Signature]

NOTARY PUBLIC for the State of Montana,
Residing at Helena, Montana.
My commission expires Sept. 30th, 1918.
Peter S. Doig, Sixteen, Meagher County, Montana, Desert Entry
8231. Duplicate Receipt.

6/10/23
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

United States Land Office,

Helena, Montana

No. 8231

June 16, 1903

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," as amended by the act approved March 3, 1891,

Peter S. Doig, of Sixteen,

Meagher County, Montana,

has this day filed in this office his declaration of intention to reclaim the following-described tract of land, viz:

150 Acres of unsurveyed land in Meagher County, Montana,
as described in the declaration of applicant, on file.

160 Acres,

that he has filed evidence to show 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 Forty dollars, being at the rate of twenty-five cents per acre for the land above described.

$ 40.00

Certain proof must be made each year for three years, and within four years from the date of this certificate, final proof and payment are, by law, required to be made.

Notice of intention to make final proof must be filed by the claimant with the register and published in a newspaper designated by him for a period of thirty days or in six consecutive issues of said paper—which notice must also contain the names of the witnesses by whom the necessary facts will be established.
I, George W. Harden, hereby certify that in the matter of the final proof on desert entry No. 8231, that there were no notices of protest nor contest filed with me against Peter S. Doig making final proof.

Dated September 28th, 1907.

George W. Harden

U. S. Commissioner.
DESSERT LAND, FINAL PROOF.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office,

Helena, Montana,

June 14th, 1907

Notice is hereby given that Peter S. Doig, of Sixteen, Montana,

has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 8231, for

160 acres of unsurveyed land in Meagher County, described as follows:

Beginning at the southwest corner No. 1, which is about 1 1/2 miles in a northeasterly direction from the source of the west branch of Spring creek; thence 1/2 mile north to corner No. 2; thence 1/2 mile east to corner No. 3; thence 1/2 mile south to corner No. 4; thence 1/2 mile west to corner No. 1, the place of beginning.

Sager Siler

Frank J. Miracle

Register.

CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OF NOTICE.

United States Land Office,

I, 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 day of , 190...
DESSERT LANDS.—NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE PROOF.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Land Office,
Helena, Montana,
August 13th, 1907.

Peter S. Doig, of Sixteen, Meagher County, Montana, who made desert land application No. 6231 on the 16th day of June, 1903 for 160 acres of unsurveyed land in Broadwater County, Montana, as follows:

hereby give notice of my intention to make final proof to establish my claim to the land above described.

Beginning at the southwest corner No. 1, which is about 1 1/2 miles in a northeasterly direction from the source of the west branch of Spring Creek; thence 1/2 mile north to corner No. 2; thence 1/2 mile east to corner No. 3; thence 1/4 mile south to corner No. 4; thence 1/2 mile west to corner No. 1, the place of beginning.

Edgar Murad, of Sixteen, Montana.

Signature of Claimant.

Notice of intention to make proof as above must be published for not less than thirty days in a newspaper to be designated by the Register as published nearest the land, and must also be posted by the Register in a conspicuous place in the land office for the same period.

United States Land Office,
Helena, Montana,
May 25, 1907.

Notice of intention to make proof as above will be published once a week for six consecutive weeks in the "Montana Republican," which I hereby designate as the newspaper published nearest the land described in said application.

Register.

For Sale by Harvey H. Corr, Washington, D.C.
DESSERT LANDS.—NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE PROOF.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

United States Land Office,

Helena, Montana,

June 16th, 1907.

Peter S. Doig, of Sixteen, Meagher County, Montana, who made desert land application No. 8231, on the 16th day of June, 1907 for 160 acres of unsurveyed land in Meagher County, described as follows:

Beginning at the South West Cor. No. 1, which is about 1 1/2 miles in a North-easterly direction from the source of the West branch of Spring Creek; thence 1/2 mile North to Cor. No. 2; thence 1/2 mile East to Cor. No. 3; thence 1/2 mile South to Cor. No. 4; thence 1/2 mile West to Cor. No. 1, the place of beginning.

[Signature]

Peter S. Doig

Notice of intention to make proof as above must be published for not less than thirty days in a newspaper to be designated by the Register as published nearest the land, and must also be posted by the Register in a conspicuous place in the land office for the same period.

United States Land Office,

Helena, Montana

June 17, 1907

Notice of intention to make proof as above will be published once a week for six consecutive weeks in the Meagher Republican, printed at Wolf Spring, Mont., which I hereby designate as the newspaper published nearest the land described in said application.

[Signature]

Register.
174421
U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT

Helena, Montana.

Peter S. Doig, Sixteen,
Meagher County, Montana.

Desert Entry No. 8231.

Special Affidavit.
State of Montana ) SS
County of Meagher)

Peter S. Doig being first duly sworn according to law deposes and
says: That it was his intention to have final proof on desert entry No.
8331 completed within the statutory period, but not being acquainted with
the fact that final proofs could be made before U. S. Commissioners only
on certain days of each month as fixed by special agents of the government
that he did not make application to make proof in sufficient time to give
thirty days publication and make proof at an earlier date, and comply with
the dates fixed on which proof could be made before George W. Harden
the nearest and most accessible officer. As a republication was ordered on account of
a defect in the publication of the notice he could not make proof earlier than Sept., 28th,
1907.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Sept., 1907.

[Signature]
U. S. Commissioner.
State of Montana )
County of Meagher)

Peter S. Doig being first duly sworn deposes and says:—That he
is the identical person who made Desert Entry No. 8231 on the 16th day of
June, 1903, at the U. S. Land Office at Helena, Montana, and that he makes
final proof before George W. Harden, United States Commissioner, at White
Sulphur Springs, Meagher County, Montana, and out of the County in which the
land is now situated because of the fact that said officer is the nearest
and most accessible officer qualified to take said proof in the land dis-
trict in which the land is located.

Peter S. Doig

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Sept, 1907.

George W. Harden
U. S. Commissioner.
State of Montana

County of Meagher

Peter S. Doig being first duly sworn deposes and says:—That in the matter of the final proof on Desert entry No. 8231 that he give his testimony without any actual knowledge of any statement made in the testimony of the witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Sept., 1907.

George W. Harden
U. S. Commissioner.

State of Montana

County of Meagher

David Doig being first duly sworn deposes and says:—That in the matter of the final proof on Desert Entry No. 8231, that he give his testimony without any actual knowledge of any statement made in the testimony of the claimant or the other witness.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Sept., 1907.

George W. Harden
U. S. Commissioner.

State of Montana

County of Meagher

Edgar Murer being first duly sworn deposes and says:—That in the matter of the final proof on Desert Entry No. 8231, that he give his testimony without any actual knowledge of any statement made in the testimony of the claimant or the other witness.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Sept., 1907.

George W. Harden
U. S. Commissioner.
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MONTANA

COUNTY OF MEAGHER.

Max Wirtz

being duly sworn deposes and says: That he is
Manager of the Meagher County Republican, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in White Sulphur Springs, Meagher County, Montana, and that the notice hereunto annexed (..................)

has been correctly published in the regular and entire issue of every number of said paper for successive weeks commencing on the day of A. D. 190... and ending on the day of A. D. 190...

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of July A. D. 1907.

Notary Public in and for Meagher County, State of Montana.
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MONTANA,

COUNTY OF MEAGHER,

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being duly sworn deposes and says: That he is...

of the Meagher County Republican, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in White Sulphur Springs, Meagher County, Montana, and that the notice hereunto annexed...

has been correctly published in the regular and entire issue of every number of said paper for... successive weeks commencing on the... day of... A. D. 190...

A. D. 190...

Subscribed and sworn to before me this... day of...

Notary Public in and for Meagher County, State of Montana.
AS TO POSTING OF NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,

At _______ ____________________________

Oct 5, 1907

I, _______ ____________________________, 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 _______ day of _______ 1907.

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Register.
174421
U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT
Helena, Montana.

Peter S. Doig, Sixteen,
Meagher County, Montana.
Desert Entry No. 8231.

MAP.
NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION

STATE OF MONTANA,  
County of Broadwater ss.

To All Whom These Presents May Concern:

BE IT KNOWN, That Peter S. Doig

of Sixteen in said County and State, do hereby publish and declare, as a legal notice to all the world, as follows, to-wit:

I. That I have a legal right to the use, possession and control of
and claim One hundred inches (100) inches of
the waters of Southwest Fork of Spring Creek, formerly Sherlock Creek, said County and State, for irrigating and other purposes.

II. That the purpose for which said water is claimed, and the place of intended use is Desert Entry No. 8231, the same being for 160 acres of unsurveyed land in Broadwater County, Montana,

III. That the means of diversion, with size of flume, ditch, pipe or aqueduct by which I intend to divert the said water is as follows: A ditch 36 inches by 20 inches in size, which carries and conducts 100 inches of water from said stream; which said ditch diverts the water from said stream at a point upon its west bank, and runs thence over unsurveyed land

then over and upon said land (see map).

IV. That I appropriated and took said water on the 12 day of August A.D. 1903, by means of said ditch

V. That the name of the appropriator of said water is Peter S. Doig

VI. That I also hereby claim said ditch and the right of way therefor, and for said water by it conveyed, or to be conveyed, from said point of appropriation to said land or point of final discharge, and also the right of location upon any lands of any dams, flumes, reservoirs, constructed or to be constructed, by me in appropriating, and in using said water.

VII. That I also claim the right to keep in repair and to enlarge said means of water appropriation at any time. and the right to dispose of said right, water, ditch or said appurtenances in part or whole, at any time.

CLAIMING THE SAME, ALL AND SINGULAR, Under any and all laws, National and State, and all of the rulings and decisions thereunder, in the matter of water rights.

TOGETHER WITH ALL AND SINGULAR, The hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging and appertaining, or to accrue to the same.

WITNESS my hand at White Sulphur Springs, Montana, this 25th day of June 1907.

Peter S. Doig
STATE OF MONTANA,
County of Meagher

Peter S. Doig having first been duly sworn, deposes and says that he is of lawful age and the appropriator and claimant of the water and the water right mentioned in the foregoing notice of appropriation and claim, and the person whose name is subscribed thereto as the appropriator and claimant, that he knows the contents of said foregoing notice and that the matters and things therein stated are true.

Peter S. Doig

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 25th day of June A.D. 1907

George W. Flader
Notary Public in and for Meagher County, Montana.
STATE OF MONTANA    )
COUNTY OF BROADWATER) ss.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed and
foregoing is the original Location of Water Right of Peter S. Doig,
and that it is recorded in Book I of Water Rights on Page 210,
records of Broadwater County, Montana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
the official seal of said County, this 28th day of June A.D. 1907.

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County Clerk and Recorder.
NON-MINERAL AFFIDAVIT.

This affidavit can be sworn to only on personal knowledge, and can not 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.

Department of the Interior,
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,

Helena, Montana,

Sept. 28th, 1907.

Peter S. Doig, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the identical person who is an applicant for Government title to the 160 acres of desert land, Broadwater County, Montana,

that he is well acquainted with the character of said described land and with each and every legal subdivision 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 knowledge, any placer, cement, gravel, or other valuable mineral deposit; that the land contains no salt spring, or deposits of salt in any form sufficient to render it chiefly valuable therefor; 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 the mineral land, but with the object of securing said land for agricultural purposes; that the said land is not occupied and improved by any Indian, and that his post-office address is Sixteen, Meagher County, Mont.

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 (here insert personal knowledge), 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 Meagher County, Montana, within the Helena, land district, on this 28th day of September, 1907.

George W. Harden
U. S. Commissioner.

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:


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 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. (Sec. 1750.)

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

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

ANSWER. Edgar Murer; age 37 years; Meagher County, Montana; ranch hand.

Sixteenth, Meagher County, Montana.

QUES. 2. Are you acquainted with Peter S. Doig, who made desert-land entry No. 8231, on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1893, upon the 160 acres of unsurveyed land in Meagher Co., Mont., how long have you known him, and where does he now reside?

ANS. Yes; known him 10 years; Meagher County, Montana.

QUES. 3. Have you personal knowledge of this land? State its situation, the character of the soil, its proximity to water, and what natural streams, springs, or bodies of water are upon, or pass through, or adjoin it; and if any, is any part of the claim naturally irrigated by such stream or spring?

ANS. Yes; situated on bench; sandy and gravelly; near water; no spring on the land, and there are no streams passing through the land, and the land is not naturally irrigated.

QUES. 4. 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?

ANS. Yes.

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

Southwest Fork and Spring Creek formerly Sherlock Creek; by appropriation; by using the water and keeping the ditches in repair.

QUES. 6. 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 an extent that it will produce an agricultural crop? If so, give the number, dimensions, and capacity of the main ditch or ditches, and also all the ditches on each legal subdivision of the land which are used in irrigating the same, and the amount expended in complying with the legal requirements—whether it equals $3 per acre of the entire area or not.

ANS. Yes; three main ditches, each being 3/4 of a mile long, 2 1/2 feet wide and 18 inches deep, capacity of each 100 inches; the expenditure would more than equal $3.00 per acre.

QUES. 7. Have you seen water distributed through and by means of said ditches over all the land on 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.

ANS. Yes; saw the distribution in the month of June 1907; also in July 1907; the water was running on the entry during all of June and July, 1907. Used about 1 inch of the acre.

QUES. 8. If there are any high points or uneven surfaces not susceptible of practicable irrigation, state definitely the nature, extent, and aggregate area of same, and the proportion thereof in each legal subdivision of the entry.

ANS. High rocky land, aggregate area about 20 acres and is on the west side of the entry as indicated on the map.

QUES. 94. Has any portion of the entry been cultivated by actual tillage of the soil? If so, state definitely the number of acres thus tilled, and describe generally the tillage, and briefly state its time, its object, and its result.

ANS. Yes more than 20 acres plowed; and is now seeded to wheat and rye; the 20 acres was plowed in fall of 1906 and Spring of 1907 and 17 acres seeded to fall rye in 1906, and 3 acres to wheat in 1907; result a good stand of rye and wheat; object to get a paying crop.

QUES. 95. Has an agricultural crop of any kind other than wild hay been planted or produced on any portion of the entry? If so, state the kind of crop planted or raised, the average quantity per acre, and the number of acres employed in the planting and growth of said crop.

ANS. Yes 17 acres seeded to rye in fall of 1906 and 3 acres seeded to wheat in 1907, but crop has not as yet been harvested.
Ques. 10. If there has been no actual tillage of the soil, or no agricultural crop planted or produced, state what climatic conditions adverse to successful agriculture, if any, are prevalent in the region in which this entry is located. State fully the effect of such conditions on agriculture.

Ans.

Ques. 11. If in your judgment actual tillage of the soil would injure or destroy its productive qualities, state definitely your reasons for believing that injury or destruction would result from actual tillage.

Ans.

Ques. 12. If any lands adjacent to or in the vicinity of the land embraced in this entry are settled upon or occupied, and paying 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. If so, state whether the lands producing the same were naturally irrigated.

Ans. No.

Ques. 13. 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.

Ans. No.

Ques. 14. 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?

Ans. No.

(Sign here with full Christian name.)

Edgar Murray

LAND OFFICE AT Helena, Montana,

Sept. 29th, 1907.

I hereby certify that the above testimony was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that the same was read to the witness in my presence before he signed his name thereto; that I believe the witness to be the person he represents himself to be, and that the land described is properly subject to entry under the desert-land act, and that said testimony was subscribed and sworn before me at my office in Meagher County, Montana,

Georg H. Harder

U. S. Commissioner.

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 he be ascertained that he testifies falsely, to prosecute him to the full extent of the law.

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 Sec. 1730.)

DEPOSITION OF WITNESS.

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

ANSWER. David Doig; age 43 years; Broadwater County, Montana; rancher; Sixteen, Meagher County, Montana.

QUEST. 2. Are you acquainted with Peter S. Doig, who made desert-land entry No. 8231, on the 16th day of June, A.D. 1903, upon the 160 acres of unsurveyed land in Meagher Co., Mont., how long have you known him, and where does he now reside?

ANS. Yes; my brother; Broadwater County, Montana.

QUEST. 3. Have you personal knowledge of this land? State its situation, the character of the soil, its proximity to water, and what natural streams, springs, or bodies of water are upon, or pass through, or adjoin it; and if any, is any part of the claim naturally irrigated by such stream or spring?

ANS. Yes; situated on a bench; sandy and gravelly; near water; no springs on the land, and there are no streams passing through the land, and the land is not naturally irrigated.

QUEST. 4. 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?

ANS. Yes.

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

ANS. Southwest Fork of Spring Creek formerly Sherlock Creek; volume 100 inches; by appropriation; by using the water and keeping the ditches in repair.

QUEST. 6. 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 an extent that it will produce an agricultural crop? If so, give the number, dimensions, and capacity of the main ditch or ditches, and also all the ditches on each legal subdivision of the land which are used in irrigating the same, and the amount expended in complying with the legal requirements—whether it equals $3 per acre of the entire area or not.

ANS. Yes; three main ditches; one being 3/4 mile long, and two being each 1/2 mile long, each being 2 1/2 feet wide and 18 inches deep; capacity of each 100. The expenditure would more than equal $3.00 per acre.

QUEST. 7. Have you seen water distributed through and by means of said ditches over all the land on 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.

ANS. Yes; saw the distribution in the years 1906 and 1907 in the months of May, June, and July; water was running on the entry all of the time during the months mentioned; used about 1 inch per acre.

QUEST. 8. If there are any high points or uneven surfaces not susceptible of practicable irrigation, state definitely the nature, extent, and aggregate area of same, and the proportion thereof in each legal subdivision of the entry.

ANS. Yes. 20 acres of high rocky land which cannot be irrigated, and is situated on the west side of the entry as shown on the map.

QUEST. 9. Has any portion of the entry been cultivated by actual tillage of the soil? If so, state definitely the number of acres thus tilled, and describe generally the tillage, and briefly state its time, its object, and its result.

ANS. Yes. 20 acres plowed in 1905 and produced a crop, also plowed in 1906 and produced a crop, and was plowed in fall of 1906 and seeded to fall rye. Crop raised in 1906 and 1907 was wheat and rye; object to improve the land and get a paying crop; result good.

QUEST. 95. Has an agricultural crop of any kind other than wild hay been planted or produced on any portion of the entry? If so, state the kind of crop planted or raised, the average quantity per acre, and the number of acres employed in the planting and growth of said crop.

ANS. Yes. 20 acres on which a crop of wheat and rye was raised in years 1905, 1906, and is now seeded to wheat and rye; the crops of 1906 and 1907 was cut for hay and produced about 1 3/4 tons per acre.
QUEST. 10. If there has been no actual tillage of the soil, or no agricultural crop planted or produced, state what climatic conditions adverse to successful agriculture, if any, are prevalent in the region in which this entry is located. State fully the effect of such conditions on agriculture.

ANS.

QUEST. 11. If in your judgment actual tillage of the soil would injure or destroy its productive qualities, state definitely your reasons for believing that injury or destruction would result from actual tillage.

ANS.

QUEST. 12. If any lands adjacent to or in the vicinity of the land embraced in this entry are settled upon or occupied, and paying 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. If so, state whether the lands producing the same were naturally irrigated.

ANS. No.

QUEST. 13. 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.

ANS. No.

QUEST. 14. 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?

ANS. No.

(Signed here with full Christian name.)

LAND OFFICE AT: Helena, Montana

September 28th, 1897.

I hereby certify that the above testimony was taken and subscribed before me this day, and that the same was read to the witness in my presence before he signed his name thereto; that I believe the witness to be the person he represents himself to be, and that the land described is properly subject to entry under the desert-land act, and that said testimony was subscribed and sworn by the witness before me at my office in Helena, Montana.

George W. Hadley

U. S. Commissioner.

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.

SEC. 1352. 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 Sec. 1750.)

DEPOSITION OF APPLICANT.

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

ANS. Peter S. Delglate; 33 years; rancher; residence Broadwater County, Montana; Sixteen, Meagher County, Montana.

QUESTION 2. Are you a native-born citizen of the United States, and if so, in what State or Territory were you born, and of what State or Territory are you now a resident citizen? [If foreign born see Note 1.]

ANS. No, foreign born.

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

ANS. No. 823 issued June 16th, 1903; 160 acres of unsurveyed land, now in Broadwater County, Montana.

QUESTION 4. State its situation, the character of the soil, its proximity to water, and what natural streams, springs, or bodies of water are upon or pass through, or adjoin it. And if any, do the streams or springs afford natural irrigation.

ANS. Situated on a bench; soil sandy and gravelly; near water; no springs on the land and there are no streams passing through the land, and the land is not naturally irrigated.

QUESTION 5. Do you own or 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?

ANS. Yes.

QUESTION 6. State the source and volume of the water supply, how acquired by you, and how maintained, and at what cost. (Record evidence of the claimant’s right to the use of the water, or other satisfactory evidence of the right to the use of water, with local laws, must be furnished.)

ANS. Spring east fork formerly Sherlock Creek; my appropriation; volume 100 inches; by using the water and maintaining the ditches.

QUESTION 7. 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 produce an agricultural crop, or paying crop of hay.

ANS. Yes.

QUESTION 8. 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; also the cost of the dams and ditches and the amount expended in the aggregate in the works of water control with the legal requirements,渭水 it equals $1 per acre of the entire area or not.

ANS. Three main ditches, each 3/4 mile long, one being 3 feet wide, and the other two being 1 1/2 feet wide; each being 10 inches deep, capacity of the ditch 6 feet wide 100 inches, capacity of the other two being 50 inches each. The expenditure would equal $1.00 per acre.

QUESTION 9. State whether you have seen water distributed through and by means of said ditches over all the land in each legal subdivision of the land in 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.

ANS. Yes; saw the distribution in the months of May, June, and July in the years 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, and 1907 used 3/4 inch per acre during the months mentioned the water was running on some portion of the entry all of the time.

QUESTION 10. If there are any high points or uneven surfaces not susceptible of practicable irrigation, state definitely the nature, extent, and aggregate area of same, and the proportion thereof in each legal subdivision of the entry.

ANS. High point; aggregate area 20 acres; and the high point lies in the southwest portion of the entry as indicated on the map.

QUESTION 11A. Has any portion of the entry been cultivated by actual tillage of the soil? If so, state definitely the number of acres thus tilled, and describe generally the tillage, and briefly state its time, its object, and its result.

ANS. Yes; 25 acres plowed, 12 acres being plowed in 1903; and four crops of wheat and rye produced; and 15 acres plowed in 1904, and three crops of wheat and rye produced; it is not to secure a paying crop and improve the land; results good.

QUESTION 11B. Has an agricultural crop of any kind other than wild hay been planted or produced on any portion of the entry? If so, state the kind of crop planted or raised, the average quantity per acre, and the number of acres employed in the planting and growth of said crop.

ANS. Yes; a crop of wheat and rye was produced on 25 acres of the entry in the years 1904, 1905, and 1906, and on 12 acres in 1903. The whole 25 acres is now seeded to wheat and rye. Produced about 1 1/2 tons per acre of wheat and rye hay.

QUESTION 12. If there has been no actual tillage of the soil, or no agricultural crop planted or produced, state what climatic conditions are most favorable to successful agriculture, if any, are prevalent in the region in which this entry is located. State fully the effect of such conditions on agriculture.

ANS.
Ques. 13. If in your judgment actual tillage of the soil would injure or destroy its productive qualities, state definitely your reasons for believing that injury or destruction would result from actual tillage.

Ans. 14. Of any lands adjacent to or in the vicinity of the land embraced in this entry are settled upon or occupied, and paying crops of any kind or have been raised thereon, without artificial irrigation, describe the same, and state year or years of irrigation.

Ans. No.

Ques. 15. Has any coal or other minerals been discovered on said land, or is any coal or mineral known to be contained therein?

Ans. No.

Ques. 16. Are there any indications of coal, saline, or minerals of any kind on this land? If so, describe what they are.

Ans. No.

Ques. 17. 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?

Ans. No.

Ques. 18. Has any other person, individual, company, or corporation any interest, however, in said entry, tract, or water so appropriated? If so, give the name, residence, and occupation of each person, the name, business, and locality of any such corporation, and state year or years of irrigation.

Ans. No.

Ques. 19. Have you made any other desert land entry, or have you any interest, direct or indirect, in any other entry under the desert-land laws?

Ans. No.

Ques. 20. Describe by legal subdivisions, or by number, kind of entry, and office where made, any other entry or filings (not mineral), made by you since August 30, 1890.

Ans. Have never made any other entry of any description.

Peter D. Stanger

LAND OFFICE AT Helena, Montana.

Sept. 28th, 1890.

I hereby certify that the foregoing testimony was read to the claimant before being subscribed; that I believe him to be the person he represents himself to be, and that said testimony was subscribed and sworn to before me at my office in White Sulphur Springs, Beaver County, Montana, on this 28th day of Sept. 1890.

George W. Stablon

Commissioner.

NOTE 1. If applicant is alien born, he should state the fact and the evidence of citizenship in due form. Nor is a certificate of naturalization in a court of competent jurisdiction, or, if claiming to be a citizen by virtue of his father's naturalization and of his mother's residence in the United States at the date thereof, or if a married woman claiming citizenship by virtue of her husband's nativity or naturalization, then record evidence of the naturalization of the father, or husband, or an affidavit as to the nativity of the latter.

NOTE 2. Correct diagram, showing the location of all ditches and improvements, must be furnished by claimant.

NOTE 3. 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.

NOTE 4. 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.
Register and Receiver,
Helena, Montana.

Sirs:

June 15, 1903, Peter S. Doig made D. L. R. No. 8231, for 160 acres of unsurveyed land, described by metes and bounds, in Meagher County, Montana, for which final proof was submitted September 20, 1907, sufficient reason being shown for the failure to make such proof in time.

The claimant's certificate of naturalization was returned by letter "G" of October 31, 1907, for the purpose of having the seal of the court attached thereto. Such certificate, with the proper seal affixed thereto, was forwarded to this office, by your letter of October 7, 1907.

The final proof has been examined and is found to be satisfactory subject to the action of the Board of Equitable Adjudication, to which the case will be referred in the event of final payment, and the issuance of final certificate after survey.

You will, therefore, after survey of the land, require adjustment and final payment.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

Assistant Commissioner.
Case of,  
Peter S. Doig,  
No. 8231.  

: Additional evidence required.

Register and Receiver,  
Helena, Montana.

Gentlemen:

June 16, 1905, Peter S. Doig of Sixteen, Meagher County, Montana, made desert land entry No. 8231, for one hundred and sixty acres of unsurveyed land in Meagher County, Montana, and described by metes and bounds.

Final proof in this case was not submitted within the four years prescribed by law but the claimant has furnished an affidavit which shows that the delay was due to the date having been set by the local officer before whom proof was made to suit the special agent and his ignorance of this fact until too late to make proof in time.

The testimony in the case shows that the claimant is not a native born citizen of the United States and as evidence of his citizenship there is filed a certificate which tends to show that he was naturalized on April 10, 1906, by decree of the District Court of the Ninth Judicial District
of the State of Mormon. Said certificate is certified to be a true copy of the act of transmission of the claimant as the same appears from the records of said court of "Case C."

And now, Clark, put the money to the court to be attended to. There is nothing more needful, or more important, than the prompt and proper transmission of this office. The party whose name and address are to be withdrawn from the records of this office has given notice of his intention to cease attending to the same. Therefore, transmit the money to the court.

He said, "I have given notice to cease attending to the court." He said, "I have given notice to cease attending to the court."
No argument

Postmaster at

United States Land Office,

Helena, Mont.

Nov. 18, 1907

Reg. transmits additional evidence in

Matters of

Peter B. Doig

of.

involving the

of Sec.

T. P. R.

Reference is had to letter, Sept.

October 31, 1907

J. H.
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,

Helena, Mont. Nov. 18, 1907.

Hon. Comr. Genl. Land Office,
Washington, DC.

Sir:-

In response to your letter "G", of October 31, 1907, requiring additional evidence in the matter of D.L.E. 8231 of Peter S. Doig, we have the honor to transmit the same herewith.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

Register.
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,

Helen Oscar
Dec 7th 1907

R. L. transmits
Annual Proof

in Lot 8 Sec 31
of Peter Sh prohibit

involving the

of Sec.

Tp. R.

Reference is had to letter of


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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,

Helena, Montana, Oct. 7, 1907.

Hon. Com. Gen. Land Office,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

We have the honor to transmit herewith, final proof papers submitted by Peter S. Doig, on his C. L. Entry No. 8231, for 160 acres of unsurveyed land now in Broadwater County, Montana, which have been approved by this office, and are transmitted to your office pending survey of the land.

Proper notations have been made on the records of this office.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

register.
DESSERT-LAND ENTRY.

CLAIMANT'S TESTIMONY.

Peter J. Doss (now of Broadwater County, Montana), a bona fide resident citizen of Broadwater County, Montana, having on the 16th day of June, 1906, made entry No. 9277 of the unsurveyed land in section 26, in township 40 north, range 2 west, containing 160 acres, at the district land office at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws of the United States, do solemnly swear that during the 3rd year after making said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June, 1905, and before the 16th day of June, 1906, I expended in the necessary irrigation, reclamation, and cultivation of said land, the sum of $200.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof, and that said sum was expended in the manner following, viz:

- Building a cattle shed 30 feet by 75 feet, constructed of lumber $200.00


(Signed plainly with full christian name.)

Peter J. Doss

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of June, 1906.

While Sulphur Springs
at my office in Lehigh County, Montana.

George W. Harden

U. S. Commissioner.

* Here insert in detail the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.

For Sale by Harvey N. Orr, Washington D. C.
DESERT-LAND ENTRY.


I, David L. Doig, of Broadwater County, Montana, being well acquainted with the tract of land embraced in the entry No. 9233 of the unsurveyed land on section 6, in township 7 range 5 east, containing 160 acres, made by Peter S. Doig, of Meagher County, Montana, on the 16th day of June, 1903, at the district land office at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws, being duly sworn, declare upon oath that there was expended by him during the 3rd year after the date of said entry, that is, after the 15th day of June, 1906, and before the 15th day of June, 1906, the sum of $200.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof, and that the said sum was expended in the following manner, viz:

* Building a cattle shed 38 feet by 75 feet of lumber $200.00

(Sign plainly with full christian name) David L. Doig

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of June, 1906, at my office at White Sulphur Springs, in Meagher county, Montana.

George W. Harden
U.S. Commissioner.

* Here state the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
At the expiration of the third year the proof required as above must be accompanied with a map or plan showing the character and extent of the improvements made on the land, verified under oath of the entryman.

For Sale by Henry N. Cory, Washington, D.C.
DESSERT-LAND ENTRY.


I, Mary Doig, of Broadwater County, Montana,
being well acquainted with the tract of land embraced in the entry No 8221 of the
unsurveyed land
section 31, township 7 north, range 6 west
containing 160 acres
made by Peter S. Doig, of Meagher County, Montana,
on the 16th day of June, 1903, at the district land office
at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws, being duly
sworn, declare upon oath that there was expended by him during the 3rd year
after the date of said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June
1905, and before the 16th day of June, 1906, the sum of
$200.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof,
and that the said sum was expended in the following manner, viz:

* Building a cattle shed, 30 feet by 75 feet, of lumber $200.00

(Sign plainly with full christian name)
Mary Doig

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of June, 1906,
at my office at White Sulphur Springs, in Meagher County, Montana.

George W. Harder
U.S. Commissioner.

* Here state the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
At the expiration of the third year the proof required as above must be accompanied with a map or plan showing the char-
acter and extent of the improvements made on the land, verified under oath of the entryman.

For Sale by Henry N. Gore, Washington, D.C.
State of Montana )
County of Meagher SS

Peter S. Doig being first duly sworn says: That he is the identical person who made Desert Land Entry No. 8231, at the Helena Land office on the 16th day of June 1903, and that he makes annual proof before George W. Harden, U.S. Commissioner at White and out of the County in which the said land is now situated Sulphur Springs, Meagher County, Montana, because of the fact that said officer is the nearest and most accessible officer qualified to take said proof in the land district in which the land is located.

Peter S. Doig

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of June, 1906.

George W. Harden

United States Commissioner.
Department of the Interior,
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,
HELENA, MONT.

JUN 26 1906

Requester transmits Trd
year's proof on D. L. E. Helena
series, No. 8231

Peter J. Doig
[Name]

Div. G. 103/195
The HONORABLE COMMISSIONER,
GENERAL LAND OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the 3rd year's proof of

D. L. E.,

Department of the Interior,
UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,
HELENA, MONT.

JUN. 26, 1906

The proof on hand D. L. E., series No. 8281, made June 16, 1905, for the

160 ac. surveyed in Meagher County, Mont.

Sec. T. R.

Appropriate notations have been made upon the records of this office.

Very respectfully,

Frank D. Mireau
Registrar.
DESERT-LAND ENTRY.

Acts of March 2, 1877, and March 3, 1891.

Mary Doig, of Sixteen, Meagher Co., Montana,
being well acquainted with the tract of land embraced in the entry No. 8231 of the unsurveyed land in Meagher County, Montana,
of section , in township , of range containing 160 acres
made by Peter S. Doig, of Sixteen, Meagher Co., Montana,
on the 16th day of June, 1905, at the district land office
at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws, being duly sworn, declare upon oath that there was expended by him during the 2nd year
after the date of said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June, 1904, and before the 16th day of June, 1905, the sum of $80.00,
being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof,
and that the said sum was expended in the following manner, viz:

* Building 3/4 of a mile of wire fence $80.00

(Sign plainly with full christian name) Mary Doig

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of June, 1905
at my office at White Sulphur Springs in Meagher county, Montana

United States Commissioner.

* Here state the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
At the expiration of the third year the proof required as above must be accompanied with a map or plan showing the character and extent of the improvements made on the land, verified under oath of the entryman.

For sale by Haynes N. Corp, Washington, D. C.
DESSERT-LAND ENTRY.

I, David L. Doig, of Sixteen, Meagher County, Mont
being well acquainted with the tract of land embraced in the entry No. 8231 of the
unsurveyed land in Meagher Co. Montana,
of section______, in township______, of range______, containing 160 acres
made by Peter S. Doig, of Sixteen, Meagher Co. Montana
on the 16th day of June, 1903, at the district land office
at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws, being duly
sworn, declare upon oath that there was expended by him during the 2nd year
after the date of said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June
1904, and before the 16th day of June, 1905, the sum of
$80.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof,
and that the said sum was expended in the following manner, viz:

* Building 3/4 of a mile of wire fence $80.00

(Sign plainly with full christian name)

David L. Doig

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of June, 1905,
at my office at White Sulphur Springs in Meagher county, Montana.

George W. Haden
United States Commissioner

* Here state the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
At the expiration of the third year the proof required as above must be accompanied by a map or plan showing the character and extent of the improvements made on the land, verified under oath of the entryman.

For Seal by Haney H. Cor, Washington, D. C.
U. S. LAND OFFICE

AT

Helena, Mont.

D. E. 8231

Peter S. Doughty

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CLAIMANTS TESTIMONY

Rec'd U. S. Land Office,
Helena, Mont. JUN 19 1905
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CLAIMANT'S TESTIMONY.

I, Peter S. Doig, a bona fide resident citizen of Meagher County, Mont., having on the 16th day of June, 1903, made entry No. 8231 of the Unsurveyed land in Meagher Co., Mont., of section , in township of range , containing 160 acres, at the district land office at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws of the United States, do solemnly swear that during the 2nd year after making said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June, 1904, and before the 16th day of June, 1905, I expended in the necessary irrigation, reclamation, and cultivation of said land, the sum of $80.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof, and that said sum was expended in the manner following, viz:

* Building 3/4 of an mile of wire fence $80.00

__________________________________________
Peter S. Doig

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of June, 1905, at my office in Meagher County, Montana.

George W. Spalding
United States Commissioner.

* Here insert in detail the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
DESERT-LAND ENTRY.

CLAIMANT'S TESTIMONY.

I, Peter D. Doig, a bona fide resident citizen of Meagher County, having on the 16th day of June, 1904, made entry No. 8231 of the 160 acres of unsurveyed land in section 19, in township 9 North, range 17 West, at the district land office at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws of the United States, do solemnly swear that during the first year after making said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June, 1905, and before the 16th day of June, 1906, I expended in the necessary irrigation, reclamation, and cultivation of said land, the sum of $240.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof, and that said sum was expended in the manner following, viz:

15 acres planted and seeded

1/2 mile ditch 3 feet wide, 8 inches deep

2 ditches 1/4 mile each, 18 inches wide

1/4 mile fencing corral

Total: $240.00

(Sign plainly with full christian name.)

Peter D. Doig

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of June, 1904, at my office in Livingston, Meagher County, Montana.

David Brandwad
United States Commissioner.

* Here insert in detail the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

United States Land Office,

Helena, Montana.

June 16, 1903.

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," as amended by the act approved March 3, 1891, Peter S. Doig, of Sixteen, Meagher County, Montana, has this day filed in this office his declaration of intention to reclaim the following-described tract of land, viz:

160 Acres of unsurveyed land in Meagher County, Montana,

as described in the declaration of applicant, on file.

160 Acres.

that he has filed evidence to show 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 Forty dollars, being at the rate of twenty-five cents per acre for the land above described.

Frank O. Murdock
Register.

George W. L. Fosdick
Receiver.

Certain proof must be made each year for three years, and within four years from the date of this certificate, final proof and payment are, by law, required to be made.

Notice of intention to make final proof must be filed by the claimant with the register and published in a newspaper designated by him for a period of thirty days or in six consecutive issues of said paper—which notice must also contain the names of the witnesses by whom the necessary facts will be established.
DESK-T-LAND ENTRY.


I, Robert A. King, of Meagher County, being well acquainted with the tract of land embraced in the entry No. 8231 of the 160 acres of un-surveyed land in Meagher County, Mont., of section , in township , of range , containing acres made by Peter A. Doug, of Meagher County, on the 16th day of June, 1903, at the district land office at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws, being duly sworn, declare upon oath that there was expended by him during the first year after the date of said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June, 1903, and before the 16th day of June, 1904, the sum of $240.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof, and that the said sum was expended in the following manner, viz:

- 15 acres planted and seeded: 75.00
- 2-erditches 3 ft. wide, 8 inches wide: 75.00
- 2-erditches 4 ft. wide each: 15: 30.00
- 1/4 of fencing corals: 60.00

(Sign plainly with full Christian name): Robert A. King

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of June, 1904, at my office at , in Meagher county, Montana.

David Dunwill
United States Commissioner.

*Here state the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
At the expiration of the third year the proof required as above must be accompanied with a map or plan showing the character and extent of the improvements made on the land, verified under oath of the entryman.

For Sale by Hassay N. Gove, Washington, D. C.
DESSERT-LAND ENTRY.


I, James Thompson, of Meagher County, being well acquainted with the tract or land embraced in the entry No. 8231 of the 160 acres of unimproved land in Meagher County, in section ___, in township ___, of range ___, containing 160 acres, made by Peter D. Beig, of Meagher County, on the 16th day of June, 1903, at the district land office at Helena, Montana, under the desert-land laws, being duly sworn, declare upon oath that there was expended by him during the first year after the date of said entry, that is, after the 16th day of June, 1903, and before the 16th day of June, 1904, the sum of $240.00, being not less than one dollar per acre of the area thereof, and that the said sum was expended in the following manner, viz:

- 15 acres plowed and seeded 75.00
- 1 mile ditch, 3 ft wide, 18 inches deep 75.00
- 2 ditches 1/2 mile each 18 30.00

Total fencing conals 60.00

(Sign plainly with full christian name) James Thompson 240.00

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of June, 1904, at my office at White Sulphur Springs in Meagher County, Montana.

David Russell

**Notes:**
- Here state the extent and character of the improvements made on the land.
- At the expiration of the third year the proof required as above must be accompanied with a map or plan showing the character and extent of the improvements made on the land, verified under oath of the entryman.
DECLARATION OF INTENTION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MONTANA

District Court of the Second Judicial District of the State of Montana,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SILVER BOW.

I, Peter Lott Doig, aged 26 years, a native of Scotland, do declare on oath that it is bona fide my intention to become a CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to all and any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to VICTORIA, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India, of whom I have heretofore been a subject.

Subscribed and sworn to, this 24th day of May 1895, before me

Clintond C. Clark
Clerk.

By James W. Wilkins
Deputy Clerk.


I, CLINTON C. CLARK, Clerk of the above named Court (said Court being a Court of Record, having common law jurisdiction and a Clerk and Seal), do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the original Declaration of Intention of Peter Lott Doig, on his application to become a citizen of the United States, remaining in my office, upon the records of said Court.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court this 24th day of May 1895.

Clintond C. Clark
Clerk.

By James W. Wilkins
Deputy Clerk.
Proposed plan of irrigation of Peter S. Doig, upon his desert claim for 160 acres of unsurveyed public land in Meagher County, Montana, said land when surveyed will be in Township Six North Range Five East.

Source of water supply: South Fork of Sherlock Creek.

Volume: 100 inches.

Size of ditch: 2 feet wide 1 foot deep.
AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

I, Mary Doig, of (town or city) Sisters, Montana,

County of Meagher, and State (or Territory) of Montana,

being duly sworn, declare upon oath: That I am a resident of Meagher County, Montana, of the age of 34, and by occupation Housewife;

that my post-office address is Sisters, Montana;

that I am well acquainted with the character of each and every legal subdivision of the following described land embraced in the declaration of Peter S. Doig, viz:

the Beginning at the South West corner No. 1, thence 1/2 mile North to North West corner No. 2, thence 1/2 mile East to North East corner No. 3, thence 1/2 mile South to South East corner No. 4, thence 1/2 mile West to South West corner No. 1, the place of beginning. Said claim being 1/2 mile square and located on unsurveyed land which when surveyed will be in Township Six North Range Five East

containing 160 acres; that I became a resident of said land by a personal examination of each and every legal subdivision thereof; that I have been acquainted with it for 17 years last past; that I have personally passed over it; that my knowledge of the soil is such as to enable me to fully understand the condition of the same as desert land with the following exceptions: all of the land covered by the act of Congress approved 30th April, 1879, "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in the Public Domain of the Territories in that part of the Northwest Territory now or hereafter to be known as Washington Territory," and whatever stream or body of water, and describe the same:


and that there is through or upon said land (name and describe all water-courses, springs, or other bodies of water as natural water except melting snow:


that said land is not naturally irrigated or watered, nor overflowed at any season of the year by the foregoing or any natural stream, spring, or other body of water; that water to irrigate said land can be obtained from South Fork of Sherlock Creek


a distance of about 400 yards from said land; that the character of the soil is gravel; that it produces a natural growth of grass.
FIDAVIT OF WITNESS

Mary Boy

1903

For Sale by Henry N. Corry, Washington, D.C.
DESERT-LAND ACT OF MARCH 3, 1877, AS AMENDED BY ACT OF MARCH 3, 1891.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

No. 8231

Land Office at

1. David E. Doig, of (town or city) Meagher, County of Meagher, and State (or Territory) of Montana, being duly sworn, declare upon oath: That I am a resident of Meagher County, Montana, of the age of 39, and by occupation a Ranchman; that my post-office address is Meagher, Meagher County, Montana; that I am well acquainted with the character of each and every legal subdivision of the following described land embraced in the declaration of Peter S. Doig, viz:

Beginning at the South West corner #1, thence 1/2 mile North to North West corner #2, thence 1/2 mile East to North East corner #3, thence 1/2 mile South to South East corner #4, thence 1/2 mile West to South West corner #1, the place of beginning. Said claim being 1/2 mile square and located on unsurveyed land which when surveyed will be in Township Six North Range Five East West

Township No. 6 Range No. 5

containing 160 acres, that I became acquainted with said land by a personal examination of each and every legal subdivision thereof; that I have been acquainted with it for 7 years last past; that I have frequently passed over it; that my knowledge of said land is such as to enable me to specifically distinguish it; that the same is desert land with the meaning of the second section of the act of Congress approved March 3, 1871, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and Territories," that said land having no stream or body of water, and describe the same as

and that there is through or upon said land (name and describe all water-courses, springs, or other bodies of water) no natural water except melting snow

that said land is not naturally irrigated or watered, nor overflowed at any season of the year by the foregoing or any natural stream, spring, or other body of water; that water to irrigate said land can be obtained from South Fork of Sherlock Creek a distance of about 100 yards from said land; that the character of the soil is gravel that it produces a natural growth of grass.
that said land will not, without artificial irrigation, produce an agricultural crop of any kind in amount reasonably remunerative, and that it will not, when unirrigated by grazing animals, produce native grasses sufficient in quantity to make an ordinary crop of hay in usual seasons; that there are no trees growing on said land, but that the same is devoid of timber; said land does not contain moisture sufficient to produce a natural growth of trees; that the same is essentially dry and arid land, wholly unfit for cultivation without artificial irrigation; that said land cannot be successfully cultivated without being reclaimed 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 condition, produce any crop; that no portion of said land has ever been reclaimed by conducting water thereon, and that there are no lands in the vicinity of this tract that are or have been cultivated without artificial irrigation. And I further declare that there is not, to my knowledge, within the limits of said land 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, and that said land is essentially non-mineral land. And I further declare that I make this affidavit at the request of Peter S. Doug, and that I am not interested in any way or manner, directly or indirectly, present or prospective, in the application or declaration in support of which this affidavit is made, nor in the land itself, nor in any title thereto which may be acquired by said applicant or any other person.

David J. Doug

Land Office at White Sulphur Springs, Mont., on this 19th day of January, 1908.

David Penwell

Register

United States Commissioner.

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, wilfully and contrary to such oath or subscribe 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).
Map showing the character and extent of improvements made by Peter S. Doig on Desert Entry No. 8231.
In the Matter of the Desert Land Entry of

PETER S. DOIG,
Anna C. Doig, Widow and Administratrix of Estate.

Involving Helena DLE 8231-01287.

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUSTMENT

Anna C. Doig, of Sixteen, Montana, being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says: That she is the widow of Peter S. Doig, who departed this life in 1910, and that she is administratrix of his estate.

Dependent further states that her late husband, Peter S. Doig is the same person who in June, 1903, made desert land entry 8231, now Serial 01287, for unsurveyed lands located in Beaverhead county, Montana, described as follows:

"Beginning at the southwest corner No. 1, thence one-half mile north to the northwest corner No. 2; thence one-half mile east to the northeast corner No. 3; thence one-half mile south to the southeast corner No. 4; thence one-half mile west to the southwest corner No. 1, the place of beginning. Said claim being one-half mile square, and located on unsurveyed land which, when surveyed, will be in township 6 north, range 5 east."

Dependent further states that the township in which this land is located has recently been surveyed in the field, and she is informed and believes that the plot of survey thereof has been filed in the United States Land Office at Helena, Montana. She further states that the lands which were improved, irrigated and cultivated are properly described, according to the government survey thereof, as the

"NE ¼ of Sec. 8, T. 5 N., R. 5 E."

This deponent is unable to state how the description in the
Declarant, being duly sworn, on oath deposes and declares: That I am a native-born (or naturalized) citizen of the United States, of the age of 29 years, and a resident of Meagher County, and by occupation a Ranchman; that my post-office address is Sixteen, Montana; that I intend to reclaim a tract of desert land not exceeding one-half section, or 320 acres, by conducting water upon the same within four years from date of entry, in manner as required by the act of Congress approved March 3, 1877, entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of desert lands in certain States and Territories," as amended by act of March 3, 1891. The land which I intend to reclaim is desert land and is situated in Meagher County, in the Sixteen, Montana, land district, and is described as follows, to wit: The

Beginning at the south east corner of the public land entry of 31 5/8 sections, thence 1/2 mile West to North East corner #2, thence 1/2 mile East to North East corner #3, thence 1/2 mile South to South East corner #4, thence 1/2 mile West to South West corner #1, the place of beginning. Said claim being 1 5/8 miles square and located on unsurveyed land which when surveyed will be in Township Six North Range Five East. Said claim is located within the Sixteen, Montana, land district, and is described as follows, to wit: The

That said land is not naturally irrigated or watered, nor overflowed at any season of the year by the foregoing or any natural stream, spring, or other body of water; that I expect to obtain my water supply to irrigate said land from Sixteen, Montana, Creek, that the character of the soil is gravelly; that said land will not, without artificial irrigation, produce an agricultural crop of any kind in amount reasonably remunerative, and that it will not, when used by grazing animals, produce native grasses sufficient in quantity to make an ordinary crop of hay in usual seasons; that there are no trees growing on said land, but that the same is devoid of timber; said land does not contain moisture sufficient to produce a natural growth of trees; that the same is essentially dry and arid land, wholly unfit for cultivation without artificial irrigation; that said land cannot be successfully cultivated without being reclaimed by conducting water thereon; that said land has hitherto been unappraisal.