



Robinson Land Claim

John and Margaret Robinson relocated from Clatsop County to Benton County following John's first term in the Oregon Provisional Legislature in 1848. He was next elected to the Legislature representing Benton County. Following John's death in 1876 Obediah V. Motley (John's Grandson) was named executor of the estate and the land was given to the executor. Apparently an agreement was made between John Robinson and his grandson that, if Grandson Obediah V. Motley took care of Margaret Robinson, for the rest of her life, the land was his. Margaret Robinson died two years after John in 1878. The Robinson daughters, Harriet Howe and Miriam Tuller, contested the will. Afterwards, Miriam's husband, Jerimiah G. Tuller, took legal action and sued until nothing was left.