

In the *Democrat* of the 20th inst. Mr. Denny is charged with aiding, and abetting in the University swindle; that Mr. Denny, and Mr. Bagley had the entire control and management, disposal and sale of the University lands, &c. Upon these statements I make the following counter statements.

1st, Of course, I deny the imputation of any swindle in the matter referred to, as far as it relates to Mr. Denny and myself.

2nd, If any swindle have been perpetrated by either of us, the blame, or credit belongs exclusively to me. Mr. Denny had no part nor lot in it.

3rd, Mr. Denny never had any control, management, disposal, or sale of University lands.

As Register he has received, and allowed, or rejected my applications for University land, sending them to Washington at intervals for approval, or rejection, by the Department there.

He has not received, or disbursed University funds—he has persistently refused to even receive them, and I have had at Olympia an agent for this purpose. He has never sold an acre of University land, and in but few cases has he even received applications for land, and referred to me.

4th, He has had nothing to do by consent, advice or otherwise, with any body Greenbacking the University. He gave nearly nine-tenths of the ten acre site in Seattle for the University location, and, as did Mr. Smith before him, did his duty as Register, in receiving or rejecting my applications for lands. He has kept no record of the lands sold, and has had no more to do with it than any other man. Those things belonged to, and have been done by the University commissioners, of which I have been President.

D. BAGLEY.