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IN MEMORY OF DR. McLOUGHLIN.

Agitation at Oregon City of the question of erecting a monument to Dr. McLoughlin is timely, and Oregon City furnishes at once an ideal and historical site for such a monument.

Kind, somewhat austere, as became the ruling power in a section far removed from the seat of government; just and generous, he filled a place in the energies and exigencies of the time the importance of which cannot be overestimated.

Almost as often as burial has been made in private grounds, whether of the home pasture lot or the churchyard, time and change have shown that it has been a mistake.

Times change and people change. The personality that is prominent and powerful in the affairs of today is forgotten in the tomorrows of half a century.

The proposition to erect a monument to his memory includes a site on the hill, picturesque and commanding beyond description, and eminently suitable for the purpose.

FACING THE FIGURES.

How did the forty-five states vote at their latest elections? To answer this question is to deal with accomplished facts. These figures are permanently on record, whatever the future developments may be.

Tennessee, 12; Texas, 18; Virginia, 12. Total electoral votes in Democratic states, 166. Republican majority of electoral votes, gauged by the latest elections, 144.

To carry the presidential contest next year the Democrats must reverse the figures of the latest state elections to the extent of 73 electoral votes. Of course, this gain is admitted to be hopeless without New York's 39 as a start.

THE JAMESTOWN TERCENTENNIAL.

Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, has introduced a bill which provides for an appropriation of \$2,125,000 by the government in aid of the Lewis and Clark Exposition, which is to be held at Portland from May 1 to Nov. 1, 1905.

As yet, however, the completion of the undertaking is doubtful because of the condition that stock subscriptions must amount to a million dollars by Jan. 1 next.

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COMMENDABLE interest in preserving the memory of those who have been more or less prominently identified with the history of the Northwest is shown by the women of Oregon City who have originated the movement to erect monuments in honor of Dr. McLoughlin and Sacajawea.

THE sentence of twenty years in state's prison, imposed on Robert Gardner in the circuit court last week was none the more severe and deserving than was the lecture the prisoner received from Judge McBride before sentence was pronounced.

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