The Old Sugar House Prison.

Concluded.

The History of the Prisoner.

When the Americans, he began, had possession of New York, it was clear that the only way to hold it was to make a prize of his house, especially as the British army was retreating.

The British government had decided to make the house a prison for the Americans who had been captured in the battle of Yorktown.

The prisoner, a man of means, had built the house many years before, and it was now to be used as a prison for his fellow countrymen.

The British soldiers were quartered in the house, and the American prisoners were placed in the attic.

The prisoners were treated with great cruelty, and many of them died of starvation and exposure.

The British government was aware of the inhuman treatment of the prisoners, but they did not have the resources to improve the conditions of the prison.

The prisoner, who had lost all his possessions in the war, was left with only the memories of a lifetime to comfort him in his final years.

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Wheatward the Star of Empire takes up its way.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled:

The Memorial, the Representatives of the people of Oregon in Legislature assembled, respectfully shew:

That the people of Oregon, in the most respectful manner, have the honor to present the following:

MR. SPEAKER, AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS:

We, the undersigned citizens of Oregon, respectfully beg leave to state to you:

That we have heard with the greatest interest and concern the proceedings of the President of the United States, and that we are prepared to give our support to any measures which may be adopted to extend the boundaries of our country.

That we are convinced that the acquisition of additional territory is essential to the prosperity and safety of our people.

That we have long been desirous of adding more land to our state, and that we are prepared to act upon any measures which may be adopted to secure it.

That we are confident that the people of Oregon will continue to be active and patriotic in the defense of our country.

We therefore earnestly request your attention to this subject, and that you will take such measures as may be necessary to promote the welfare of our country.

We respectfully beg leave to submit this memorial to your consideration, and we trust that you will be pleased to give it the attention it deserves.

In testimony whereof, we have subscribed our names, this day of January, A.D. 1847.

The Memorialists.

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