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VIEWS OF CONSOLIDATION.

of Oregon and other states feel in eternal principle that "in union there is strength." It appears, too, that the very suggestion of consolidation of Coos Bay cities is sufficient to attract attention. Already it has given given the bay considerable valuable advertising. If the mere suggestion will do so much what would be the effect of actual consolidation? What if it should become known that Coos Bay people were big enough, energetic enough and wise enough to throw aside all the littleness of small isolated villages and announce to the world that they propose to unite for the purpose of making a big harbor of Coos Bay and giving Coos Bay a chance to make a big city of the community on its shores?
The truth is that the people are

favorable, both in North Bend and Marshfield, of making a big harbor here. They are here for that pur-We do not believe there is any man or woman who really under-stands the situation who does not think that every part of the territory which embraces the pay would be greatly benefited by the improvement of any part of the bay. Some objections have been heard, it is true, but all are easily answered. The view that each town is jealous of its individuality is answered that while such jealously is a delusion and a snare, yet it is misplaced, because the plan of union is to reorganize each city as a borough and all the boroughs as a city. The Example is Greater New York. Coos Bay cannot afford to adopt the borough system of King John's time-or of James 1, or of Minnesota, or Pennsylvania, or any other state, but that of the world metropolis, New York. Brooklyn is a borough and yet it has over a million people. Manhattan is a borough with nearly two million. Yet these five boroughs voted themselves together as one city and voted themselves apart as five boroughs.

Another objection which an enterprising student offered was that it was unjust to tax the farmers on the east side of the bay. Where are the farmers on the east side of the bay? If the gentleman who made the objection would investigate he would find the following situation: Bay City is platted on Isthmus Inlet up to the line of East Marshfield. East Marshfield is platted up to Catching Inlet. Then comes Millicoma which is platted up to Blanco. Blanco is platted up to Crawford Point. Crawford Point is platted up to Coos Bay City. Coos Bay City is platted up to Kentuck Inlet. Across Kentuck Inlet begins Glasgow, which is platted up to North Inlet. Across North Inlet is North Port, which runs into the sand The farmers who may be mentioned as owners of the East Side are somewhat as follows: Messrs, Devers and Nasburg, accredited to Blanco, cultivate the soil in the Lochart building, Marshfield, Mes-srs, Douglas, Sengstacken, etc., accredited to East Marshfield, cultivate the soil in law and real estate offices. The owners of Crawford Point are farmers who practice law, medicine real estate, etc., in Roseburg. We believe that North Port is cultivated by Mr. Schaffer, who resides in Port-land and plows along through the streets of the Rose City, in the faith that he will raise a fine water front on Coos Bay. As for Glasgow, the farmers who raise crops there, do it by long distance telephone from the office of a great Trust company in Portland. Let us not be hard on the

But says the same gentleman, let Empire be taxed to open the chan-nel to the sea Let North Bend help Empire, but in addition bear an additional tax to open the channel from Porter to Empire. Then let Marshfield open up the channel from Isthmus Inlet to Porter all alone and pay a part of the taxes of North Bend and Empire. Does not the gen-tieman know that the whole tidal area is necessary to the greatness of Marshfield, North Bend and Empire equally? He should understand that the tide rolls into the inner bay and spreads out from five to seven feet deep and that, because of the expan-sive area the quantity is far greater than would move in one little nar-row channel. When this wide spread flood goes out it is so large in quan-tity that it pours through the narrower channel of the lower bay and keeps it deep. Its force is increased with its quantity and narrowed by

two jettles on the bar its power is sufficient to scour out the bar. If it were not for this volume of water opposite North Bend and Marshfield and the force which it gathers when it passes Empire, the harbor oppo-site Empire would soon become a beach and the bar a sand pit. There would be no harbor. It should therefore appear plain that all parts of Coos Bay are necessary to all other parts. If the bay south of North Bend should become a mud flat, North Bend would soon suffer the same fate. Isthmus, Catching and Coal Bank Inlets are all necessary to Marshfield, North Bend and Empire. Of course all mariners and persons who have knowledge of harbors know this and for that reason can take a broad view of the situation and un; derstand that the bay must be treated. In all its aspects, as one proposition and not as several distinct, inde-

FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL.

In another column will be found a very earnest and emphatic statement of one of the best educators in Oregon concerning the question of a high school for Marshfield. Pro-fessor Golden is not merely an educator, he is a man wio understands the great importance of placing the city of Marshfield in the front ranks of seaport and metropolitan cities, and knows that it can have no more or better reputation without school than Timbuctoo. He has urged the people of Marshfield to turn out in full force next Thursday evening and show by the fullness of their vote The deep interest which the people that this is a city in which the people are interested in education. Coos Bay is evidenced by the fact believe they will do it. Marshfield is that many exchanges which come to very much alive to her own credit the Times office, comment on the today, and she only needs to be given porposition to consolidate the bay an opportunity to act in a good cause, cities as one, which is very wise and be given the cue as to her duty. full of importance. They particularly and she will register her decision emphisize the application of the with the true ring of the genuine American city.

It is not surprising that Professor Golden should have some slight or even conisderable fear that the vote next Thursday will be light, for he has been fighting hopefully for this onsummation for many years. But from the comment made on all sides, it seems plain that the high school has interested new and old time citizens alike. Every voter who has an intelligent thought and is interested in Marshfield will cast his vote for the home education of Marsh-field youth in Marshfield institutions.

Professor Golden well says that a high school, properly equipped and provided with a corps of sufficiently salaried teachers, is one of the best recommendations which the city can have in the eyes of the world be-yond the Cascades. People who seek o better their condition in life by coming to the Pacific coast, or who come here for its climate or because of buusiness necessity, are almost always possessed of pride and educa-tion, more or less. They are used to schools and to people who support If they find them in the schools. same degree that they exist in all he localities they are acquainted with they feel at home. they are inclined to go where they find them. They are the people e want to make up the population of Coos Bay. Let every voter, for he sake of impression it will make ere and elsewhere, go to the elec-lon and vote for a well equipped and reditable high school.

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