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TOLEDO ORATION.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF W. T. As I address you to-day, so many thoughts crowd upon my brain that I am compelled to select my ideas, or I should weary your patience and absorb your time.

I have come by steamboat by rail and private conveyance to this beautiful spot in the region erst known as the Cowitz Farms. From the 4th of July 1776 Civilization has made a steady march across the Western Hemisphere till it has reached this far-off but beautiful land on July 4th, 1883, and here I stand, a descendant of the Pilgrims of 1620 to address an audience of intelligent men and refined and cultivated women.

Surely the vine our fathers watered with tears has spread out its branches till it trails upon the waters of the Pacific sea. In the ancient Jewish polity whoever had committed involuntary homicide, whoever had done any thing that laid him liable to persecution could flee to a city of refuge, so here in America, the United States has been considered a city of refuge for the poor and oppressed of all lands.

You my hearers are the descendants of various nationalities, nor does blood discriminate by the mixture of races, it tries to a nobler, higher manhood, the mind takes broader, grander views of life and all earthly and heavenly things. It becomes cosmopolitan.

This year our Republic has stood 107 years. In 1783 the British evacuated Savannah on the South and New York on the North and peace was ratified in Paris, and henceforth the United States of America was acknowledged a distinct nation. England forever lost her hold, France had been the first to acknowledge our independence. God bless old France. She showed her colors for freedom quicker than any European nation. She herself is free, and will celebrate her natal day July 14, when the Bastille the dungeon of Tyranny was leveled to the ground, never to be built again. Helland came next—the grand old liberty-loving Dutchman, then Sweden, then Norway, then Denmark and Spain and last Russia. In 1776 America issued her Declaration of Independence, in 1783 all nations counter-signed it, and still that paper every year is indorsed by thousands and millions of free American citizens.

Some are born in this country, and some first saw the light on foreign soil, but as this freedom was achieved by foreigners as well as natives in the Revolution, so we accord to all equal rights, and show a benevolence equal to the magnanimity of Freedom. We do not forget that Richard Montgomery, one of Washington's Generals, who stormed Quebec, was an Irishman, who said as he led his troops, "Men of New York, you will not fear to follow where your General leads, march on!" He gloriously died in his boots that you, my hearers, might be free, and we say to Ireland, the grand old mother, oppressed with we and all sorrow, "We welcome your sons and daughters to our hearts and hearthstones." We forget not that the two Generals, Hugh Mercer, and Arthur St. Clair were Scotchmen, and by the love, tears and blood of "auld lang syne" we say, "Welcome my bonny lads and lasses to our wheaten cakes and luscious fruits. The thistle may prick your caudles, but the dew is for your friends." We forget not that Steuben and De Kalb, Revolutionary Generals were Germans, and we say to the German "Our Columbia welcomes you as fondly and long as the grand old Rhine of your Fatherland. The soil is different, but you have the same grand old sun moon and stars that you watched in your vine covered cots in the far away land of your nativity." We forget not that Charles Lee and John Paul Jones were Englishmen, and like Ruth of old left home, kindred, idols and all for America. And such Englishmen we welcome, who love freedom more than all the world beside for we remember our original colonies were mostly English-born. We forget not Gilbert Mottier, Marquis de Lafayette was the friend of Washington, and gave up all the luxuries of a French Court to help a band of half-starved colonists who suffered and bled for freedom. No grander name except Washington's is found in history than the name of Lafayette and we say to the Frenchman, "Our hearts are like Paris, they offer to you every luxury of affection and regard, come and dwell with us, you were a friend in need and are a friend in deed and truth." We have not forgotten that Thaddeus Kosciuszko was a Pole, and we say to the Pole, "Ours is no Russia, we give you freedom to speak, to act, to think as you please, provided you vote not on others' rights." And we say to

the American-born citizen, remember George Washington, Ethan Allen, Israel Putnam, William Moultrie, Lord Stirling, Philip Schuyler, John Stark, Benjamin Lincoln, Anthony Wayne, Otho H. Williams, Francis Marion, Thomas Sumpter, Daniel Morgan, Alexander Hamilton, Robert Kirkwood, John Sullivan and Aaron Burr; they were Revolutionary Generals and fought for freedom, and achieved even more than they thought, and while you remember them, forget not Dr. Marcus Whitman, who saved to the United States Oregon, and Washington Territory, and remember the good old Kaiser William that gave us San Juan Island.

Washington Territory is an empire of freedom in itself. Its glory like that of its illustrious namesake has but just commenced. You are the viddetes of the million-footed army coming. I hear the hum of their voices as they wear the iron-hoed, and when the Northern Pacific Railroad is completed, unparalleled will be the migration. The higher civilization of the States will unite with the higher dash and manhood of this territory, and bring out men and women that shall be the glory of all ages. As of old the Mediterranean sea cradled poets, orators and heroes on the bosom of its waves, so Puget Sound shall yet cradle on its lapid, lucid waters the greatest geniuses of all time. The outer world moulds men as well as the inner life, and Mt. Hood, Mt. Tacoma and Mt. St. Helens are like some grand old composition of the prophet Isaiah to lift man to a higher, grander plane.

And Lewis and Clowitz Counties are the gardens of Washington Territory. Here is the granary of the world. Captain Joseph Kellogg was the grand old pioneer that with his steamboats opened this Ultima Thule to the outside world. You have a soil adapted to the grains and fruits in a surprising degree, and will be great factors in feeding the world. In Bible history how Joseph looms up, because he fed mankind in the days of famine, and saved his father's family alive amid the terrors of expected starvation, so you act no unimportant part. Feel not that because you are producers you are drudges. Grand old Israel Putnam left the plow for freedom and home and when he saw our banner waving over a free nation returned to the plow again so did George Washington. The drops of sweat on the farmer's brow are prouder jewels in God's sight than the gems that grace the tiara of the Czar of all the Russias.

Toledo, named for Toledo of old, where were blades that cut the way to victory is bound to be a city of note in this region. The beautiful Cowitz and Chelchals which keep the aboriginal Indians as musical and unwarlike with their branches, Cowman, Toule, Tilton, Skoonum Chuck, Black, Salsop, Wynoochis and Whiskah are rivers which shall be remembered in history and song, as well as your prairies, Grand, Cowitz, Ford, and Sanders. At the head of your Cowitz River is a falls grander than the Niagara Falls, Nooksack. Here millions of tourists shall yet come from all nations to behold its grandeur and beauty and that of Mt. Tacoma and Clowitz Pass.

This Northern Pacific Railroad shall revolutionize art as well as nature. It is the battle of peace, and at my home in St. Helen as I hear the thunder of their basaltic rock to make a pathway for the iron horse, my heart leaps up like a fountain in our glorious National Park. Some one half mile from my door I can step on the cars, and land at my old home in New Hampshire, I put my ear to the ground, and deem I almost hear the voices of my brother's family as some one plays the organ. I sent them bought with money earned on the Pacific Coast.

Pioneers, I must say a word to you, grand old women in particular, if there is any crown in Heaven that is very bright, the old pioneer woman will get it, who leaving father and home and mother and early associations, followed her husband to these wilds, and patiently sat in the darkness of isolation and lack of congenial society, and waited for the morning. The morning has dawned, the privileges of old times have come to you with a renewed glory. You shall hear and see all your heart has yearned to see. The finest orators, the best preachers, the best poets, the grandest shows shall greet your eyes, nothing too good, too grand, too expensive for you. The only thing to our your bliss shall be some little graves along the highway of life, some dear old graves back in the States of focus you will never see again till you walk the golden floor of the new Jerusalem. But your memory shall live, the light you have shed in your isolation is not lost, it will make the day of the present and future brighter. In the economy of Nature not a ray of light becomes extinct, the same light that greeted the eye of Adam, when the morning stars sang together, grows yours. The patient soul assimilates the most of all souls to God, for who so patient as the Lord of Life Himself.

The whistle of cars and steamboats shall wake every silent river and lake, and churches and schoolhouses dot every nook of Washington Territory, and Washington take her place in the circle of States like a queen of May, and the memory of Columbus, the Genoese, who found this new world, and who has given it the higher poetical name of Columbia, and the name to our magnificent river which reaches from the Rockies to the Pacific, and with its multitudinous arms carries fertility to all this Upper Coast shall glow brighter and brighter along with that of Washington. I will conclude these remarks by reading you an original poem entitled "The Vision of Columbus," who foresaw all the glory of which we are the partakers. (POEM.)

May the benediction of Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, patriots who framed and wrote the Declaration of Independence, and passed to Heaven from Earth on this day, rest forever upon this assembly!

E. G. A.

Bayview Sabbath School Report.

June 24th, 1883.

To the Bayview S. S. I have the honor of reading to you this my first quarterly report of all the proceedings of the school up to this date. We will first refer to the organization of the school held on March 11th, 1883. Note that this is very early in the season. We trust the interest and honor this school has attained may be a partial reward to the noble spirits thus early bringing together the fast decaying bourses of this little community, the results of which we now so love and in every eye beaming full of true love and friendship for all.

At the above meeting of this school the usual business of organizing was done. Mr. James Gill was elected Superintendent whom we all see has served us with great honor to the school which I trust our honorable Superintendent may feel the school highly appreciates.

Mr. John R. Beegle was chosen as teacher of the Gentlemen's Bible Class; I presume, or I may assert, that their scholars of this class feel that their teacher has served them with great usefulness and honor in the bringing of their minds nearer to the duties of a Christian life.

Next Mrs. Gill was chosen teacher of the Ladies' Bible Class, whom we trust may not become impatient in the discharge of her duties to her class, but may she be able to see in the minds of her scholars that they are eagerly seeking for the greatest good which she is very desirous and ever willing and ready to impart to them.

Next W. H. Copeland was chosen teacher of the Boys' Class for which service he acknowledges the receipt of ample reward.

The present teacher of the Girls' Class is Miss Alice Higgins. Various teachers having taught this class, I presume are equally entitled to honor for their service.

Miss Mary Fullerton, Teacher of the Infant Class, is serving the little ones with all the kind feelings of a long tried friend, and I feel that father and mother may alike feel thankful to her for teaching and instructing their children in the ways of right who may see a time when they can look back on their youth as we older ones do now and repeat thanks as they now repeat verses to their kind and attentive teacher.

During this quarter the school has been furnished with six Class Books for Teachers by Hon. John R. Beegle. With the school funds there has been furnished 24 Nos. of the S. S. Advocate Semimonthly for the term of six months, there has also been furnished one dozen Testaments also a suitable amount of Premium Cards and one dozen Gospel Hymn Books, also a sufficient number of Lesson Leaves.

I would state the Treasurer's Book show all money for this quarter to be \$15.00, amount expended \$9.98, balance on hand \$5.12.

I had by careful attention that since this quarter has begun there have been verses repeated to the number of 1007. That such a large number have been repeated from the infant to the adult is I think a grand recommendation for our little school.

As there certainly is great honor due for this deed, we will now see to what classes and scholars this praise is due. Following are the classes and scholars in their order of standing. 1st. Mrs. Gill's Class, Total, 286; Julia Slavens 10, Emma Morrison 12, Mrs. James Beegle, 24; 2nd, Miss Alice Higgins' Class, Total, 277; Maria Bacon 15, Georgia Gil 21, Nora Bacon 28, Annie Beegle 46, Eliza McCoy 167; 3d, W. H. Copeland's Class, Total 261; Wm. Slavens 5, Marion Slavens 6, Charles Beegle 17, Geo. Copeland 35, Daniel McCoy 198; 4th, Mary Fullerton's Infant Class, Total, 183; Daisy Beegle 3, Cleora Corey 20, Eva Beegle 6, Frank Beegle 12, Mattie Copeland 6, May Beegle 36, Esther Gil 9, Mollie McNulty 4, Carrie Stingley 2, Walter Gil 17, Walter Martin 10, Oscar Martin 10, Louis Vinsonhaler 28, Fred Vinsonhaler 5, Katie Hazen 2, Lillie Larsen 1, Charlie Martin 10, Ella Bacon 2. By this list it will be seen Mrs. Gill's class has repeated the highest number of verses Mrs. James Beegle repeating 244, being the most repeated by any one scholar, Daniel McCoy being next repeating 198, Eliza McCoy being the third highest having 167. I would here suggest that for the benefit of the small scholars suitable premiums be given to the five repeating the highest number of verses, rewarding them according to the number of verses repeated, premiums to be purchased with the school funds; this, I think, would give a better opportunity to the many small scholars who are trying hard to compete for premiums.

W. H. COPELAND, Secretary.

G. W. McBride wishes to inform his debtors that he intends to go out of business by the first of August, and wants them to settle up and that without further delay.

We have no room for locals this week. Our oration crowded them out, we will build over next time, it is too hot now.

Mr. N. C. Hillery & wife were at a wedding at Williamsport, Clatsop Co. Oregon, Miss Eliza J. Wilson of that place was married to Mr. O. H. Love of Portland, Oregon. She was lovely before marriage and all love after.

T. COOPER. Butcher. Shop next door to Davenport's Coffee House. RIVER ST., ST. HELEN, OREGON. Choice meats of all kinds for sale.

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Given under my hand this 23rd day of June 1883. L. T. BARRIN, Register.

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Lost. A Remarkable Circumstance. In 1875 a very peculiar man in kid gloves arrived at Columbia City. Every one pronounced him an addition to the city. He was a tall, thin, well-dressed man, with a high forehead, and a very peculiar manner. He was very polite, and very kind, and very generous. He was very rich, and very powerful. He was very mysterious, and very intriguing. He was very dangerous, and very deadly. He was very clever, and very cunning. He was very wicked, and very evil. He was very cruel, and very harsh. He was very cruel, and very harsh. He was very cruel, and very harsh.

THE BARGAIN STORE, which has lately established where can be found goods, hardware, and Yankee notions, dry-goods, notions, and all the goods that can be desired, at prices that are cheap and reasonable. Orders respectfully solicited.

C. H. Hodges Columbia City, Oregon. NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO PURCHASE TIMBER LANDS. U. S. LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OREGON. June 22, 1883.

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FARMERS' TRANSPORTATION COMPANY. The new and elegant Steamboat Lucea Mason. Leaves Portland, foot of Alder St. at 10 A. M., touching at St. Helens, Lake River and all intermediate landings, returning to Portland on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Landing made at Woodland on Wednesday and Thursday.

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Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 3, 1878, entitled "An Act for the sale of Timber Lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and in Washington Territory," John H. Douglas of Cowitz Co. W. T. has this day filed in this office his application to purchase the south-west quarter