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A FEW MINUTES WITH THE EDITOR

THE HERALD'S ONE OBJECT

Several of our subscribers appear to think that the Herald is too blunt, full of wind, hot air etc. Well, it may be. We are not perfect and confess that like any other enthusiastic worker for good we may at times become overly inflated.

REAL CAUSES FOR OPPOSITION

The Oregon City union high school question, the same as at Gresham, was voted down. Prejudice, jealousy, ignorance and selfishness all had a part in the defeat of one of the most important matters ever brought before the voters of these districts.

Every mother will approve of the sentiment contained in the following clipped from the Farm Journal:

The glorious Fourth is coming, and the patriotic boy is looking eagerly to hours of unmixed joy. Meanwhile the small boy's mother isn't sleeping much at night; she anticipates with terror what he thinks of with delight.

We are indebted to J. B. Robertson of Olex, Oregon, for a good sized photograph showing six triple gang plows in line, each with eight horses and a driver.

The Herald force is indebted to the Mountain View Farm, W. W. Cotton and H. E. Davis, proprietors, for a fine treat of Bing cherries. They are a meaty cherry, fine flavor and almost as large as transcendent crabs.

Sunday closing of saloons in Multnomah has evidently come to stay, Judge Cleland having declared the Sunday closing law as set forth in the statutes of Oregon as valid, and in no way affected by Portland's city charter.

Mayor E. G. Caulfield ordered the saloons of Oregon City to comply with the state law and close their establishments last Sunday and to continue to obey the law in that respect or suffer the consequences.

The Portland rose show was all that its most enthusiastic workers had planned for and it far exceeded the expectations of Portland's country cousins.

One lesson take to heart this year.—Be good to those with whom you live; 'Tis better not to quarrel, dear, Than 'tis to kiss and say, "Forgive." Put self behind—turn tender eyes, Keep back the words that wound and sting.

We learn, when sorrow makes us wise, Forbearance is the grandest thing. —Farm Journal.

The annual meeting of the Oregon Development League at the Marquam Grand last Friday was not overly well attended. But what it lacked in numbers was made up in enthusiasm. Secretary Tom Richardson announced his determination to resign his position with the League next January, but in the meantime promised the best advertising campaign for new settlers ever conducted by the state, and as Tom is in the habit of doing things, it is a safe venture that he will make a good one.

We acknowledge receipt of a complimentary season ticket and folder from Secretary H. E. Cross, to the effect that the Willamette Valley Chautauqua association will hold its annual event at Gladstone Park, July 9 to 21, 1907. A large array of the world's best talent has been secured and a very profitable and enjoyable time is assured.

HISTORIC YORKTOWN AS IT IS TODAY

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abandoned the world to the caprice of despots. In point of numbers engaged or fierce fighting it was not a great battle; but, measured by its ultimate effects on mankind, it was one of the most momentous engagements in the history of the world. It kindled a fire in the hearts of the French soldiers that burned up the throne of the Bourbons. It paralyzed tyranny in England and made possible an era of freedom for all the Anglo-Saxon race. In short, with the Declaration of Independence, which it sealed with the magic seal of



WHERE CORNWALLIS SURRENDERED

success, Yorktown uttered a prophecy of democracy in all lands.

How common and insignificant are many of the scenes of immortal deeds! Thermopylae is but a small and unimportant mountain pass. Gettysburg is but a country village. Yorktown had about sixty houses at the time of the siege, nor is it much more ambitious now. Yet these furnish the settings of some of the chief jewels of history.

Yorktown the village is little disturbed by the currents of the great world that were so importantly modified by Yorktown the battle. It yawns in its content, abases for oysters and knows but little change. Such places are not disturbed by the fever of transition. It is rather a slightly town, lying high on its peninsula. It is proud in its own way of its monument and memories, but it is too close to them to realize their significance.

Speaking of Cornwallis' cave, losing casts doubt on its being the exact hole in the wall where the British general met his officers for council. That, according to the Lossing version, is now eradicated. This, which passes for the cave, was used at the time of the investment as a hiding place for valuables. However, it serves. The door was placed in front of the opening for commercial purposes, that some of the villagers might charge an entrance fee. Above the retreat still stand the British breastworks, reminders of a struggle that gave a new republic to the world.

One of the most touching incidents in the siege of Yorktown centered about Governor Nelson of Virginia. Nelson was in command of the militia of his state and directed the battery that opened fire on the British the morning of Oct. 17, the last action before the surrender. Nelson's house was situated in Yorktown, the largest and most pretentious in the place. In this mansion Cornwallis had his headquarters. Despite the personal loss he would suffer by the bombardment the governor ordered the guns trained upon his own home for the purpose of dislodging the British commander. The mansion was severely injured by the cannonade which followed, but Cornwallis and his officers were driven out and as a result proposed a cessation of

the fighting. The British were captured a British outpost. He was also officer of the day at the time of the surrender. His subsequent career as a member of the constitutional convention and as Washington's secretary of the treasury is familiar to every student of American history.

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DE ROCHAMBEAU. DE GRASSE.

hostilities two days later surrendered. Washington publicly thanked Nelson for this act of patriotism. The surrender itself was as pathetic as it was memorable. The French troops were drawn up in a long line on one side, the American troops on the other, thus forming a loop, through which the conquered army marched. The aspect of the British was as subdued and dejected as their thoughts

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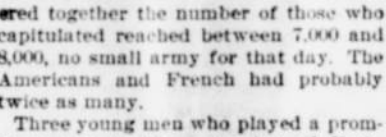
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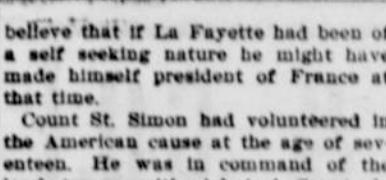
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