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Of Des Moines, Iowa, writes under date

March 23, 1895:

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GENTLEMEN: On arriving home last

week, I found all well and anxiously

waiting. Our little girl, eight and one-

half years old, who had wasted away

to 38 pounds, is now well, strong and

vigorous, and is fleshed up. S. B.

Cough Cure has done its work well.

Both of the children like it. Your S.

B. Cough Cure has cured and kept

away all hoarseness from me. So give

it to every one, with greetings for all.

Wishing you prosperity, we are

Yours, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. FORD.

If you wish to feel fresh and cheerful, and

ADVANCEMENT CLUB.

The Subject of Taxation Warmly

Discussed.

Daily Guard, December 17.

At the meeting of the Advancement

club last night the committee ap-

pointed to formulate plans for the or-

ganization of a Commercial club re-

ported that a public meeting would be

held at Mount's hall Friday evening

at 8 o'clock to consider the matter of

organizing, and requested a good at-

tendance.

The class in sociology, led by Prof

Young, then took charge of the program.

Attorney E O Potter read a paper on

"A System of Equitable Taxation."

The speaker handled his subject in a

manner which showed that he was

thoroughly conversant with the laws

of taxation of our country. The diffi-

culties of securing an equitable system

of taxation are extreme, and the

speaker did not believe that any sys-

tem of taxation could be brought out

which would not meet with some ob-

jection. It is impossible to get a per-

fect system, although this is an im-

portant question which stares the peo-

ple in the face in every state in the

Union. He quoted expressions from

Judge Cooley and other eminent

jurists, who deplore the fact that it is

practically impossible to secure an

equitable system of taxation. Laws

are enacted to favor a few on one hand

and on the other when fair and just

laws are enacted they are evaded to a

great extent. The fault lies to some

extent with the people who do not send

honest legislators to enact laws for

them. The general principle with both

rich and poor is evade taxation. This

is done by failing to give in all

property, by representing indebtedness

which is not owed, or by shipping

money, etc. out of the state when the

tax system is so complex that it is

practically impossible to understand

and the tax question, from a

few points of view was quite warmly

debated.

Prof Fletcher thought the principal

trouble is with taxpayers who dodge

the assessor. Rich men worth mil-

lions give in only a few thousands.

Men who are highly honorable in

other lines do not consider it

dishonorable to dodge the assessor.

A higher moral sense should be cul-

tivated among the people. R. V. Gilbert

wanted to know if there was not a

penalty for failing to give in property

and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Williams stated that if the officers en-

forced the law they would be punished

upon by public opinion for extrava-

gant in collecting fees. Judge Walton

believed that the tax law is greatly

evaded and to prevent this that as-

sessors should be appointed by the

county court for each township or

district with plenty of time to assess

each individual correctly. This

method would increase tax collections,

without materially increasing ex-

penditures. Prof Condon did not believe

that our government is a necessary

evil nor in the immoral condition of the

country being as represented. He

has confidence in our officers and be-

lieves the government is being run on

the best plans possible. President

Chapman approved of protective tariff

as a socialistic measure. Poll tax as a

THE FIRST BOAT.

The Gypsy's Initial Trip—Will Car-

ry O C & E Freight—Con-

tinuation of the River.

Daily Guard, December 17.

The first boat to reach Eugene this

season was the O R & N Co's steamer,

Gypsy, which arrived here yesterday

evening.

The boat, commanded by Captain

Gordon, left Harrisburg yesterday

morning at 7 o'clock, arriving here at

4 o'clock yesterday evening, having

experienced but little difficulty in

reaching this city. She only had to

line over one riffle, and that was be-

cause of a snag which occupied the

deepest portion of the channel. The

boat carried 40 tons of freight from

Harrisburg for Eugene, Roseburg and

Ashland.

The Gypsy is a very neat specimen

of the river craft. She has powerful

machinery aboard and can push right

along over the worst rapids encounter-

ed on the upper river. The boat

draws about 10 inches of water when

light and when fully loaded draws

about 18 inches. She can be run very

economically in regard to fuel. Only

two cords of wood were required to

run the boat from Harrisburg to Eu-

gene yesterday, and five cords will

run her from Corvallis to Eugene.

The Eugene, which came here last

season, burned eight cords of wood in

running from Harrisburg to Eugene.

A number of O R & N officers ac-

companied the Gypsy to being B A

Campbell, general freight agent, C F

Overbaugh, ira eling freight agent,

H O'Neil, traveling passenger agent,

and L W Lee, superintendent of the

river division.

In the presence of President Wilkins

of the board of trade and a GUARD re-

porter, Mr Campbell, general freight

agent, made some very flattering

statements in regard to the upper

river. He stated that he was very

much surprised to find the river from

Harrisburg to Eugene in so good a

shape for navigation as it is. He said

that the Gypsy left Harrisburg with

the water at a stage of five feet at that

place and experienced no difficulty in

reaching this city, though the river

was settling very rapidly, and had

fallen a foot in the last 24 hours. He

is confident that the boat can come

here with 40 tons of freight when the

river stands four feet at Harrisburg,

and when the river is at a good stage

the boat can carry 60 tons. He stated

that so long as the river did not get

below the four foot stage at Haris-

burg the Gypsy would make weekly

trips to Eugene, arriving here on Mon-

day afternoons.

In regard to hauling O C & E

freight, Mr Campbell denied the state-

ment that his company had refused to

haul any freight for the former when

coming to Eugene. He stated that

their boat had been put on to accom-

modate the service of the upper river,

and that they would not discriminate.

They had O C & E freight on board

this trip and would haul it whenever

they could get it.

Speaking of the upper river im-

provement, Mr Campbell said that

the trouble between Harrisburg and

Eugene is that the Willamette is

spread over too much country. He

A SECOND MESSAGE.

Cleveland Gives the Venezuela

Question Attention.

A Document Full of Patriotism.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—President

Cleveland submitted to congress today

the following message on the Venezu-

elan question:

"I have the honor to acknowledge the

receipt of your communication of the 14th

inst., and in reply to inform you that

the pending boundary controversy be-

tween Great Britain and the republic

of Venezuela, and the attitude of the

British government, which was then

awaited, has since been received, and

together with the dispatch to which it

is a reply, is herewith appended. Such

reply is enclosed in two communications ad-

ressed by the British prime minister

to Sir John Pakenot, the British am-

bassador at this capital. It will be

seen that one of these communications

is devoted exclusively to observations

upon the Monroe doctrine, and claims

are made that in the present instance

a new and strange extension and de-

velopment of the doctrine is insisted

upon by the United States, and that

the reasons justifying an appeal to the

doctrine enunciated by President

Monroe, are generally inapplicable "to

the state of things in which we live at

the present day," and especially inap-

licable to the controversy involving

Great Britain and Venezuela. Without

attempting extended arguments in re-

sponse to these positions, it may be

misapprehended that the doctrine upon

which we stand is strong and sound, be-