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A POPULIST CITY.

It Will Levy No Taxes After the First of the Year.

Glasgow will levy no taxes after January 1, 1897. The revenues derived from the public utilities, owned by the city, including the street car service, the gas and electric light service, the water supply and other public monopolies are now sufficient to pay all expenses of the city government.

Glasgow is a city of about twice the size of San Francisco, its population being 792,000. In 1801 it was only 77,000. It has made a larger growth than any other European city since that date. Its great university, over 400 years old, is famous the world over.

The leading source of municipal revenue in Glasgow is the street railway system, and although the city bought the street car service less than three years ago, July 1, 1894, and interest on the debt and provision for a sinking fund made, after meeting these fixed charges and the cost of repair and maintenance there was a balance at the close of the year past, July 1, 1896, of \$493,014.

Our readers need not be told that Glasgow is a Populist city. Municipal ownership of the public utilities, street car service, water and light, etc., is a fundamental law of the People's party in city government.

The Rev. Miles Grant, of Boston, thinks he has solved the problem of living. He is strict vegetarian, and never uses meat, pies, cakes, tea, coffee, sugar, salt, or spices.

S. F. Star: Bryan got 47,000 more votes in Ohio than Cleveland got in 1892; 140,000 more than ex-Governor Campbell on a gold Democratic platform in 1895.

An eastern exchange says: There is a movement on foot to form a new party, to be known as the "Democratic Republican party," around which it is proposed to rally the commercial interests of the country under a sound money flag, with proper tariff regulations, selected under the advice of a commission of business men.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer says it is reported that the secretary of the Spokane board of immigration is in correspondence with a Scotch syndicate which is looking for a location for a beet sugar factory. It seems that the Scotchmen have been making inquiries also in Holland, where the industry has assumed large proportions.

Although the law of Washington offering a bounty for grower and manufacturer of beet sugar became inoperative after last June, the Post-Intelligencer thinks there is so much to recommend it that possibly the next legislature (the Populist legislature) will re-enact it.

The Statesman hopes to see Spokane secure this industry. We would much rather have it here in the Willamette valley, and near Salem, but we believe that the establishment of beet sugar factories in Washington would soon be followed by securing them for Oregon also.

We believe that Oregon can as well as Washington afford to pay a bonus of a cent a pound for all the beet sugar manufactured within her borders in the next two years or longer divided between the farmer and the manufacturer. It in the mean time the inducement offered by congress be sufficient to keep the business going and developing, the legislature of 1899 might repeal the law and thus withdraw the offer.

The following is the program for the Good Roads convention, to be held in Portland, today and tomorrow. Evening—Informal conversation at Oregon Road Club. All visitors invited.

10 A. M.—Call to order in Chamber of Commerce; temporary organization; enrollment of delegates; permanent organization; enrollment of delegates; appointment of committees; luncheon today.

Friday, 10 A. M.—Call to order at chamber of commerce; reports of committees. 2 P. M.—Discussion of committee reports and adoption of resolutions.—Portland N. W. Pacific Farmer.

Congress is Roused and the People Are Pressing Action in the Matter.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The headquarters of the Cuban legation in this city was the center of interest to a number of callers today, who had come to express to Senator Quesada their sorrow at the death of General Maceo, and to offer their sympathy, and in some cases help for the Cubans.

Senator Quesada says he has received during the past few days about 50 letters, many of which come from persons and organizations, offering to send men to assist the Cubans in fighting for liberty. Among the states and cities represented in these letters are Washington, Wyoming, Kansas, Indianapolis, Buffalo, Evansville, Ind., and Waterbury, Conn.

He says offers of assistance from abroad have been received. The Paris agent of the junta says that not only the Cubans, but the French people, after hearing of the assassination and death of Maceo, are collecting all they can to send an expedition to be called the "Expedition of General Maceo."

There was no information received at the headquarters today other than a telegram from President Estrada Palma, of the Cuban junta, which attributed Maceo's death to assassination, by plot arranged between Alameda and Dr. Zertucha, which was published today.

For the second time in the history of Myrtle Point, the safe used by Wells Fargo Express Co. was opened and robbed last Saturday night and the up-to-date crooks who did the work are some \$400 ahead. However, but a very small amount of the money stolen belonged to the express company.

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SENTENCED FROM DOUGLAS COUNTY. Roseburg, Or., Dec. 14.—Sawyer and Reynolds, the two men who burglarized a house in Drain and afterwards escaped from jail with Robert Hinman and were charged, pleaded guilty to the charge of burglary and were sentenced to three years each in the penitentiary.

TEXAS READY TO FIGHT FOR THE FREEDOM OF CUBA. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 15.—There was a great meeting at the city hall this afternoon in the interest of the freedom of Cuba. Two thousand representative men and a hundred women were present.

SALEM, DEC. 15.—Postoffice Inspector J. A. Gordon, who was in Salem, received a despatch this morning informing him that the Oregon City postoffice had been robbed of \$1000 in the shape of valuables. Not a stamp was left in the place, and it is probable that the loss is in the neighborhood of \$1000.

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