

Now is the Time to Reduce Taxation.

From a careful examination of the finances of this State it is evident that the time has fully arrived when the taxes of the people and also of some corporations can be reduced without embarrassing the financial operations of the State.

The State has already acted on the bill to repeal taxes upon cattle, horses, mules, occupations, trades and professions. This is right and proper, since it relieves, principally, the poorer classes of our people; but to this bill should be added a section repealing the taxes on net earnings. These taxes have always been burdensome, and are really the most unjust imposed on the people.

During the past year the State Treasurer reduced the debt \$1,976,326. This is entirely too much of a reduction. Our debt to-day, after deducting the bonds of the different railroad companies in the sinking fund, is about twenty millions of dollars; and if we pay one million of this debt annually it will relieve the State from debt entirely within twenty years.

Since the above was in type an amendment has been introduced to the bill before the Senate, looking to the desired reduction. [Harrisburg Telegraph.]

A QUEER HOUSE.—The House of Representatives is composed peculiarly this winter. It bears all the colors of the rainbow and is represented; and a Cross stands for Beaver. Black and Brown are the prominent colors. Liquor was excluded from the east-room, but Porter is in the House Daily; and the members are never Dry with such a Nye Sample; neither do they fall Short of other Staples. In addition to the Speaker, the House has a King but with both to govern, there is always Noyes. On every Private Calendar day, the Representatives can recline under the shade of an Ash and a Bench, stroking their Beards, while their active associates Dart here and there through the Lane watched by Koons and the vigilant Wolfe. But this Fyle of "De Witt" of our Young essayist, however much it Burns in his brain, must Sinter to an end, or he will sink in Myer; and his future, though now Albright, end in a den darker than Daniels. [State Journal.]

The Post Office Department has decided that after a letter leaves the office from which it was mailed it passes from the control of the sender and cannot be recovered by him but must be forwarded to its address. If the person to whom it was addressed cannot be found, the sender becomes the principal party and it must be returned to him, either through the dead letter office or in accordance with the printed "request" if there be one on the envelope.

There is a document on exhibition in the office of the Secretary of the State of Illinois, which is of some historical interest. It dates from Black Hawk war in 1832 and is an order from the Brigade inspector to supply "Captain Abram Lincoln's company" with thirty guns. A receipt for the arms is appended, signed by Abram Lincoln. The question therefore arises, "Was Lincoln's name originally Abram or Abraham? or was it Abram at first, and Abraham afterward?"

There are now in Salem, Mass., 600 men from sixty to sixty years of age, a very small number of whom are incapacitated for daily business. The number of aged women is still greater. It therefore would appear that more than one person in twenty of the population is over sixty years old.

An eccentric old fellow who lives alongside of a graveyard, was asked if it was not an unpleasant location. "No," said he, "I never find places so in all my life with a set of neighbors that mind their business so steady as they do."

Nova Scotia is now raising about 1,000,000 tons of coal annually.

GEORGIA CORRESPONDENCE.

SAVANNAH, March 9th, 1873

DEAR ADVOCATE:—Here I am at last in the Forest City of the South and without exaggeration, it is so far as we can form any judgment, and compare between cities through which we have passed it is the most beautiful.

Delays are numerous, at least on this trip. Yet they have furnished opportunity for observation, and conversation with citizens. The country over which we passed is one vast yellow and pitch, forest, and the principal business is the manufacture of Spirits of Turpentine, Rosin and Tar. The manufacture of lumber is beginning to form a very important branch of industry, and along our line of travel we saw a great many ties, and large quantities of very fine looking lumber made of the yellow pine timber. The soil is sandy with clay sub-soil, and is easily brought to a very high state of cultivation, and there was but one report on this subject and that was that the land would yield a bale of cotton to the acre on the start which could be increased by the use of fertilizers, nor is land higher than in the Western Section of our great country, ranging from \$5 to \$10 per acre, according to locality and quality, or rather timber. The country is not without marshes, the largest we noticed being those formed by the Big Peecks, Santee and Savannah Rivers, and especially that formed by the Santee River, requiring ten miles of trestle work for the Wilmington and Charleston Rail Road. Men everywhere said "give us good energetic Yankee farmers, who will buy the land in small parcels of 100 to 150 acres and work it and we have no fears for the future of our section of the nation." So far as we could determine, whatever of prejudice and hatred for northern men that may have existed in the past has quite entirely disappeared. There are those who are dissatisfied and grumble, but the number of these is small, and growing less, and are of a make up, and belong to that class who would not, or could not be satisfied with any thing in heaven tarry nothing of earthly things. There are men here from many of the Northern States. Some more visitors, others prospecting for future homes.

We said in the outset that Savannah was a beautiful city, and we made the best of our time here to day, and strolled over a considerable portion of the city. Among the places of note is the Battery, where there is one company of artillery stationed, and here on our uncle's ground we saw, for the first time in many years, viz: orange trees with ripe fruit! The park is also visited by everybody who comes to Savannah—a place where a man can spend an hour or two as pleasantly as anywhere we have ever been. Pulaski Monument Square is small, but both beautiful and interesting as an historical association. The monument stands in the centre of the square, enclosed by an iron railing. On the panel facing the East is carved in relief, a statue of the wounded General falling from horse. West is the following inscription, "Pulaski, The Heroic Pole who fell mortally wounded, fighting for American liberty at The Siege of Savannah, 9th Oct., 1779"—Above the North and South panels is simply the name Pulaski.

During our stay so far we have been stopping at the Pulaski House, and a better and more accommodation stopping place is not easily found anywhere, and the ADVOCATE may say to its friends coming South, don't fail to stop at the Pulaski House, and every year will be most promptly and kindly met. Tomorrow we are off still southward bound, and more again.

Yours as ever, H. A. P.

OUR INDUSTRIAL INTERESTS.

Some idea of the magnificent proportions which the manufacturing interests of the country are beginning to assume, may be derived from a study of the data furnished by the last census. In the several States and Territories there were then 252,148 establishments for manufacturing purposes, using 40,090 stationary engines, and employing 2,033,098 persons in the several branches of industry represented. The capital invested was set down at \$2,118,247,009, and the amount of wages paid during the year ending June 1st 1870, was \$4,232,625,802. Since that date the number of these establishments and the extent of their operations have very greatly increased. And such is the condition of our surrounding civilization and such its present and prospective demands, that the future promise of our industrial developments bids fair to outrun the most sanguine estimates. The wants of society increase in proportion to the increased capacity for production, and the field for the latter in this country is practically unlimited.

The Aim of Advertising.

It is the remark of a very eminent Bostonian that he regarded an advertisement in a paper, as a personal invitation extended to him to call, and he added: "While I sometimes hesitate about entering a store, the proprietors of which do not thus send their card to my residence, I always feel certain of a cordial welcome from the members of an advertising firm. There is in this remark an assurance of one of the many results of advertising. The trader and his calling becomes identified, and the name of a man is inseparably connected in the mind of the public with his merchandise. It may not be the very day an advertisement appears that it bears its fruit; weeks or months may elapse, and when the want arises the article to be obtained immediately suggests the advertiser. This is the effect of general advertising when persistently followed. A special class of advertising, where some novelty is announced, is more immediate. A shrewd business man once advertised a trifling article in a manner which would scarce prove remunerative. His neighbors expressed their regret at his folly, but he appeared contented. Though his gross sales of the article did not cover the cost of his advertising, he attracted a new class of people to his store, and his shrewdness paid him in a very short time, for new eyes saw what he had to offer in addition to the speciality advertised, and fresh purses came under contribution to him.

The object which all aim to accomplish in advertising is an increase of business. The humble shillings is what we require in this age. It costs very little to advertise in a paper to carry on a business of two thousand dollars than it requires to do half the amount. The cost of rent, personal living, and many incidental expenses, do not increase in the ratio of business, while time is saved; for there is greater profit resulting from a trade of two hundred thousand in one year than from the same amount, and even more, extended over twice the space of time. These simple facts are well known by energetic business men, who adopt advertising as the most powerful method of saving time, by increase of business, and thus making capital doubly active. Indeed, it is often made a substitute for actual capital. [Boston Journal.]

POLITICAL MORALITY.—It is quite refreshing to note the comments of the opposition press on the result of the Credit Mobilier investigation. To read some of these journals, one would think that they were the exponents of a party that never sinned; that held in its keeping all the public and private virtue in the land. Democratic editors who never had a word to say against the sin of the rebellion; who defended Tweed and his brother thieves as high-toned gentlemen and model public servants; who have grown rich by using their columns to advocate and justify the schemes of a corrupt lobby, suddenly assume an air of saintly innocence, and proceed to lecture the nation on the sins and shortcomings of the Republican party.

The spectacle is a novel one, and we trust these self-appointed guardians of public purity will keep at their work and give their hard-shell readers a daily lecture on the beauty and necessity of political honesty. It will do good to both writer and reader. The Democratic editor may indulge in his own system a little genuine honesty by occasionally expressing his brain over honest sentiments. His subscribers, who take their intellectual food at his table, may think the conversation genuine, and be thus led to honest information themselves.

So keep up your show of virtuous indignation, gentlemen; you can do no harm to the Republican party, but may succeed in penetrating the sin-tongued hide of Democracy with a feeling of remorse that will awaken some of its leaders to make efforts to save themselves, if not the party they adhere to. If this Credit Mobilier business leads our Democratic neighbors to a closer intimacy with their long-neglected bibles, and reminds them to look over new chapters on honesty to know what it really means, and how to write on the subject, we may reasonably expect, as the logical result, a genuine breaking up of the Democratic party during the next four years. If the Republican party by investigating the shortcomings of a few of its members, can start the Democratic party in pursuit after honesty, why should not the world rejoice?

Lives of the Governors of Pennsylvania, with incidental history of the State, from 1792 to 1872.—By William G. Anderson.—James L. Ginn, Philadelphia, 28 South Sixth Street, Philadelphia.

It contains a complete epitome of the history of the State, from its first settlement to the present time. To the student it will prove a useful help, presenting, as it does, the salient points in the history of the State relieved of unnecessary detail. To the statesman it will furnish a compend of political facts at once interesting and invaluable.

The ambitious youth will find in its biographical details much for honorable emulation; and citizens of the Commonwealth, of all classes will have in its contents a want supplied long felt by many. A voluminous Index forms an important feature of the book. It has been completed at a great expense of time, labor, and money; and with its large clear-faced type, finely engraved portraits, and a mass of interesting matter, the publisher feels that he is offering to the people of the State a work meriting their warmest approval. Sold by subscription only. Canvasers wanted. PRICE—\$3.50 in cloth; \$4.00 in Library Sheep \$4.50 in half calf.

In Japan the marriage ceremony is very simple. A man and a woman drink wine from the same cup, and the thing is done. Divorce is not a much more elaborate affair. The husband who is dissatisfied with his wife gives her a piece of paper, on which a few characters are traced. Being translated, they are about as follows: "I no like you. I think you like other man more better. I give you piece a paper. You can go. Good-bye."

There are experts on all manner of subjects in these days of litigation. A woman testified at Norwich, the other day, in a turkey case, and declared that she knew those turkeys by their walk, their countenance and their manner of roosting." She was a shrewd observer of the ways of poultry.

A Kansas paper announces that it recently received a load of "splendid coal" from a newly opened mine in the vicinity of Fort Scott, in that State.

Chicago proposes a grand memorial industrial exhibition in October next, the second anniversary of the great fire, when, it is predicted, the city will be practically rebuilt.

A census is being taken of the population of San Juan and the other islands lately in dispute. A few months ago they contained only 300 or 400 inhabitants; now the residents are said to number 2000.

New Advertisements.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of Administration upon the estate of VICTOR NORTON, deceased, have been duly granted to the undersigned by the Register of Elk County. All persons indebted to the estate of the deceased are requested to make payment, and those having claims against the estate will present the same for settlement without delay. D. C. OYSTER, Administrator. March, 20th, 1873.—m34.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Elk County and to me directed, waving Inquisition and Exemption, I will expose to sale by PUBLIC VENDUE OR OUTCRY at the Court House in Ridgway, Elk Co., Pa. on MONDAY, the 14th DAY OF APRIL, A. D. 1873 at one o'clock, P. M. All the right, title, interest claim and demand whatsoever of HENRY MCCREADY defendant in said writ, of in or out of all that certain tract piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Fox, county of Elk and State of Pennsylvania, adjoining lands of FRANCIS O'NEIL, formerly SMITH MEADE and described as follows: that is to say containing about one hundred acres, thirty-five acres of which is under improvement and cultivation and the balance of said one hundred acres is wood land upon which premises one frame dwelling house one barn and lime kiln and iron sheds with other out buildings.

Being the same premises conveyed by EDWARD MCCREADY and wife by deed dated the 10th day of January, A. D. 1858 to HUGH MCCREADY in trust for HENRY MCCREADY and EDWARD MCCREADY and duly recorded in the Recorder's office in and for Elk County in Deed Book "G" page 403 etc. Being the same premises on which EDWARD MCCREADY now resides. Seized and taken in execution as the property of HENRY MCCREADY, and to be sold by D. C. OYSTER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Ridgway, Pa. March 20, 1873. m35.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE INCORPORATION OF ALVAN B. PRESTON AND OTHERS AS "THE REFORMED CHURCH OF WILCOX." NOTICE is hereby given that Alvan B. Preston and others have made application to the Court of Common Pleas of Elk County, No. 24 of April Term 1873.

NOTICE is hereby given that Alvan B. Preston and others have made application to the Court of Common Pleas of Elk County, No. 24 of April Term 1873, for a decree of incorporation of the Reformed Church of Wilcox, Pa. and that no sufficient reason appearing to the contrary a decree of incorporation will be made at the next term of said Court.

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