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PITTSBURG, Jan. 11th, 1860.

DR. KEYSER:—My wife has been afflicted with a bad cough and difficulty of breathing for five or six years, which for several years back had gradually increased in violence. The complaint has been hereditary, and she had been treated by several physicians without any relief. In this state of her case I procured some of your Pectoral Cough Syrup. I bought the first time a fifty cent bottle, which relieved her very much; I then called and got a dollar bottle, which cured her entirely, and she has now no trace of the former disease, except weakness. I would also state that I used the medicine myself to a cold and cough. The medicine cured me by taking one dose. I express my entire satisfaction with the medicine, and you are at liberty to publish this if you desire to do so.

WM. WILSON,
Alderman, Fifth Ward.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 18th, 1858.

DR. KEYSER:—Although not an advocate of Patent Medicine in general, it affords me great pleasure to recommend your Pectoral Syrup. As a medicine it is well worthy the attention of any person who may in any manner be affected with coughs, colds and hoarseness of any kind, and for the peculiar qualifications for removing all that disagreeable sensation attending a cold.

I have been more or less, in my life affected with the severest colds of hoarseness. At times my throat would become so closed as to prevent my speaking above a whisper, and by taking a few doses of the above Syrup it would relieve me entirely.

In recommending this medicine, I must unhesitatingly say that it is the best medicine I ever found, purporting to cure the above; nor should any family be without this remedy for diseases so prevalent.

Yours, most respectfully,
EDWARD J. JONES.
Cashier, Citizens' Deposit Bank.

STEUBENVILLE, O., March 14th, 1859.

I have used Dr. Keyser's Cough Syrup for a bad cough of several years standing, and can cheerfully say it is the best medicine for the same that I have ever taken.

J. W. PRICE.

COL. PRATT AND DR. KEYSER'S PECTORAL SYRUP.—DR. KEYSER—Dear Sir: Excuse the delay of my acknowledging the excellence of your Pectoral Syrup sooner. I take great pleasure in saying that it is all you say it is. IT KNOCKED THE NOISE OUT OF MY COUGH, and the worst one I was ever afflicted with; I have not used more than one half of the bottle, and can and do wish that all who are afflicted would give it as fair a trial as I have done, and they will be proud to say, "It is no quack medicine." I would not suffer another such an attack for any consideration, or at any cost. I am confident I can breathe more freely than I ever did. I shall always acknowledge a debt of gratitude for inventing so excellent a remedy.—You are at liberty to use my name in this regard, as you think proper.

E. F. PRATT,
Messenger, Common Council, Pittsburgh, Pa.

PITTSBURG, May 11th, 1859.

N. B.—I am no stranger to my fellow citizens, and all who entertain doubts can consult me personally.

E. F. P.

READ THE TRUTH—DR. KEYSER: I have a daughter who has taken several medicines for a bad cough, who has taken several medicines for a bad cough, without benefit—among them Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. I purchased from you a bottle of your PECTORAL SYRUP, and before she had used half a bottle she was relieved. The second bottle cured her entirely of her cough.

JOHN DARIN,
Robison street, Allegheny.

PITTSBURG, December 31st, 1853.

A GREAT CURE BY DR. KEYSER'S PECTORAL SYRUP.—I live in Peebles township, Allegheny county.—I had a coughing and spitting, which commenced about the 4th of February last, and continued eight months, I employed the best physicians in the country, and my cough continued unabated until early in October. At that time I was advised to try your PECTORAL SYRUP, which I did, and after I had taken one bottle I was entirely free from the coughing and spitting. I had dispaired of ever getting well, and I think it should be known that this valuable remedy will do for others what it has done in my case.

JOHN C. LITTLE, Peebles township.
Witness—B. M. KERR.

PATTON TOWNSHIP, April 14th, 1857.

A WONDERFUL CURE.—Some time ago, an old neighbor of mine was very ill with a bad cough which every one supposed to be consumption. His relatives told me he had taken every remedy they heard of without benefit; his brother came to see him die, and all were confirmed in the belief that he could not live. I had about the third of a bottle of your Pectoral Syrup, which I gave him, and it entirely cured him, to the astonishment of all. What makes the case more remarkable, is the extreme age of the man, he being about eighty years old. I have no doubt the Pectoral saved his life.

JOHN M'GINNIS.

DR. KEYSER'S PECTORAL SYRUP IN BLAIRSVILLE.—Please send me another supply of your valuable "Pectoral Syrup." Almost everybody around us has the sold and are inquiring for "Dr. Keyser's Pectoral Syrup." We have sold sixteen bottles last week, and are now entirely out. Mr. Alter and Mr. P. Maher, both of Blairsville, Pa., tell us they would not be without it in their families. In fact, all who use it once want it again.

J. S. WATTERSON & SON'S.

January 30th, 1860.

ANOTHER NEW CERTIFICATE—DR. KEYSER'S PECTORAL SYRUP.—I have been troubled with a cough and cold for several weeks—so bad was it that I could not sleep. I had the advice and prescriptions from three of the best physicians in the city, whom I could name, but do not do so. I finally procured a bottle of your Pectoral Syrup, which cured me entirely. Signed,

J. W. SIMONTON,
236 Liberty St., Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 9th, 1860.

"STOP THAT COUGHING."—"How can I do it?"—"Go to Keyser's on Wood street and get a bottle of his Cough Pectoral, and if that don't cure you, your case must be desperate indeed." This is a specimen of the colloquy one hears almost every day in cold catching seasons of the year. As we can, from actual experiment, cheerfully concur in the adviser's admonition as above, for we have tried the "Pectoral" in a most stubborn case, with entire success. Near two weeks ago we went to Pittsburg with one of the most distressing contrary, mulish, unsubdunable coughs we have ever experienced since our advent upon this mundane sphere. We coughed steadily and laboriously for one whole week, in hopes of tiring it out, but it was no go. In fact it seemed rather to improve by practice and to have acquired strength, potency and distressibility by the operation. In this state of the siege, we coughed our way to Keyser's, 140 Wood street, procured a fifty cent bottle of the Pectoral, took it according to directions, and in forty-eight hours we were master of the field, the enemy having unconditionally surrendered after a brief but unequal conflict with so formidable an adversary as Keyser's Cough Pectoral.—Brownsville Clipper, Dec. 14th, 1859.

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When evening shades around us fall!
And from the lattice, far it gleams
To love, and rest, and common call.
When wearied with the toils of day,
And strife for glory, gold or fame,
How sweet to seek the quiet way,
Where loving lips will lisp our name,
Around the light at home.

When through the dark and stormy night
The wayward wanderer homeward flies,
How cheering is that twinkling light
Which through the forest gloom she spies!
It is the light at home—he feels
That loving hearts will greet him there;
And softly through his bosom steals
The joy that banishes his care,
Around the light at home.

The light at home! when'er at last
It greets the seaman through the storm,
He feels no more the chilling blast
That beats upon his manly form.
Long years upon the sea have fled
Since dear ones gave a parting kiss,
But the sad tears which then were shed
Will now be paid with rapturous bliss,
Around the light at home.

The light at home! how still and sweet
It peeps from yonder cottage door,
The weary laborer to greet,
When the rough toils of day are o'er
Sad is the soul that does not know
The blessings that the beams impart—
The cheerful hopes and joys that flow,
And lightens up the heaviest heart,
Around the light at home.

COMMUTATION OF THE TONNAGE DUTIES.

The Committee on Ways and Means has reported the following bill. It will be seen that the tonnage duties are not actually repealed, but that the payments of the same are shaped differently than they were heretofore. We have not been able to read the bill carefully, and therefore commend the same to the careful attention of our readers. We shall, however, analize the bill shortly and give our opinion of it:—

AN ACT for the commutation of Tonnage duties.

Whereas, By a provision of the Act to incorporate the Pennsylvania Railroad company, approved the thirteenth of April, eighteen hundred and forty-six, and a supplement thereto, approved the twenty-seventh of March, eighteen hundred and forty-eight, a tax or duty was imposed on all tonnage loaded or received at Harrisburg, Pittsburg and intermediate points, and carried or conveyed on the Railroad of the said company more than twenty miles, which said tax was intended to compensate for any probable dimunition in the receits of the Main Line of the Public Works, (then owned by the State,) by reason of the construction and operation of the said Railroad.

And Whereas, It was provided in the third section of the Act for the Main Line of the Public Works, approved the sixteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, that if the Pennsylvania Railroad company should become the purchasers of the said works, the said company, in addition to the sum of seven millions five hundred thousand dollars ($7,500,000), the price limited by the said Act should pay the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars ($1,500,000), in five per cent bonds of the company, and that thereupon the said company and the Harrisburg, Portsmouth, Mount Joy and Lancaster Rail Road Company should, in consideration thereof, be discharged by the Commonwealth forever from the payment of all taxes upon tonnage or freight carried over said railroads, and the said Pennsylvania Railroad company should be released from the payment of all other taxes or duties on its capital stock, bonds, dividends or property.

And Whereas, It was subsequently decided by the Supreme Court of this Commonwealth, that while the Legislature had full authority to repeal the provisions of the said Acts, yet, inasmuch as part of the last mentioned section in the Act for the the sale of the Main Line placed all the property of the taxing power, it was therefore, to that extent, unconstitutional and void.

And Whereas, It was the clear intention of the Legislature, by the said Act for the sale of the Main Line, in case the Pennsylvania Railroad company should become the purchaser of the same, to exhonorate and release the said company from further liability for the payment of said tonnage tax, and for the additional consideration therein named, all other taxes; and as the tonnage tax now falls indirectly on flour, grain, cattle, iron, minerals and other domestic products transported on one line of improvements, while similar products transported on other lines, are exempt from the same; and as a reason for the imposition thereof ceased to exist on the sale of the works it was intended to protect, the right of the State any longer to demand the payment of the said tax is denied, and said demand has led to litigation between the State and the company, and will probably involve the parties in litigation with the citizens of other States, to the injury of our internal trade and commerce, which is the duty of the government to encourage and protect, by all lawful means.

And whereas, The said company has proposed a compromise and final settlement of the question, by paying into the Treasury, in commutation of the said tonnage tax and in discharge thereof, such additional sum semi-annually, over and above the instalments of principal and the interest on its debt to the State, as may be required to make said payment amount to four hundred and sixty thousand dollars ($460,000) annually, until the year eighteen hundred and ninety, at which time the entire balance of the principal and interest shall be paid in full; and by paying, also, in addition to the said semi-annual instalments, all other taxes on their property to which they may hereafter be made liable under the general revenue laws of the State, and agree to make reductions for transportation of local trade, as hereinafter provides, and to aid, also, in the construction of certain lateral railroads, the completion of which is essential as a means of facilitating the settlement and improvement of valuable districts of the Commonwealth yet undeveloped.

And whereas, In the opinion of this Legislature, it is expedient to accept the said proposition, and to relieve all agricultural, mineral, and industrial products, and other property passing over any railroad, canal, or slackwater navigation in this Commonwealth, from the payment of tonnage tax or duty to the State; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonweath of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That if a majority of the Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, who, for the purposes of this act are hereby vested with all needful authority, shall at a meeting called for that purpose, resolve to accept the provisions of this Act, and shall authorize the execution of a written contract under its corporate seal with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to pay into the State Treasury on account of its indebtedness to the Commonwealth, by reason of a purchase of the Main Line of the Public Works, on the thirty-first days of January and July in every year, until the thirty-first of July, eighteen hundred and ninety, inclusive, such sum, in addition to the interest on its bonds owned by the State, and in addition to its annual liability to the State on account of purchase money for said line of improvements, as will increase each semi-annual payment on account of said debt and interest to the sum of two hundred and thirty thousand dollars, ($230,000,) and the aggregate of all such payments to the sum of thirteen millions five hundred and seventy thousand dollars, ($13,570,000,) and shall agree to pay, on the said thirty-first day of July, eighteen hundred and ninety, into the Treasury, the balance then unpaid of the principal and interest of said bonds, and shall further agree to reduce its local charges for the transportation of grain, flour, cattle, iron, minerals and other property, as hereinafter provided; and if the said company shall, in the manner aforesaid, on or before the first of July, make and enter into with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a written contract to that effect, and shall on or before the said day deliver the same to the Commonwealth, by depositing the same in the office of the Auditor General, then and in such case, and in consideration thereof, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall not at any time hereafter lay, impose, levy, or collect any tax or duty upon, or in respect to freight or tonnage passing over the said Pennsylvania Railroad, or the Harrisburg, Portsmouth Mount Joy and Lancaster Railroad, or any part of them, or either of them, unless a like tax shall at the same time be imposed, laid or levied upon all other railroads or railroad companies of this Commonwealth; and all laws imposing taxes or duties upon freight or tonnage upon the railroads, canals and slackwater navigation companies, for the use of the Commonwealth, be and they are hereby repealed, and no further or other proceedings shall be had or taken on the part of the Commonwealth to enforce the collection of any tax or duty, or obligation given therefor, or judgment recovered, or obtained in pursuance of any existing laws on tonnage carried or conveyed on the railroad of said Pennsylvania Railroad Company, or on that of any other company incorporated by the State; and the said companies shall be, by the proper officers of the Commonwealth, exhonorated, released and relieved from every lien and liability to the State on account thereof.

SEC. 2. That from and after the passage of this Act, all railroad, canal and slackwater navigation companies incorporated by this State, and liable for the payment of taxes and duties on tonnage, imposed by any laws heretofore enacted, shall make the reduction of their charges for transportation on their local freight, as fixed by their respective toll sheets, on the first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, equal to the full amount of the tax or duty chargeable upon such freight or tonnage by the laws aforesaid; the present winter rates between the first day of December and the first day of May, shall be considered as fixed at 90 cents per 100 lbs. for first class, 75 cents per 100 lbs. for second class, 60 cents per 100 lbs. for third class, 40 per 100 lbs. for fourth class, on all trade carried between Philadelphia and Pittsburg, and a failure on the part of either of said Companies to make such reduction, shall render the company so neglecting liable to the Commonwealth for double the amount of the tonnage tax heretofore chargeable against them upon such trade—and every such Company shall, within thirty days after the passage of this Act, under a like penalty, file in the office of the Auditor General, under the oath of the President or other officer, a toll sheet of their rates of charges for transportation of local freights, upon the first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, accompanied by a statement of the reduction to be made in pursuance of this Act, and the said rates as so reduced shall be the highest rates that can be charged for the transportation of such freight and tonnage by any company accepting the provisions of this Act: *Further*, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company shall not at any time charge or collect rates on any description of freights from any eastern or sea-board cities to Pittsburg, higher than the gross rates charged or collected by the same route from same points to any point west of Pittsburg; nor shall the said Pennsylvania Railroad Company at any time charge or collect rates on any description of freights from Pittsburg to Philadelphia, Baltimore or New York or other seaboard cities higher than the gross rates that may be charged by the same route from any point west of Pittsburg to the same points on the same description of property. The local rates from Pittsburg or Philadelphia to stations on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad shall at no time exceed the gross rates charged through between Philadelphia and Pittsburg exceed the through rates as made from time to time under the provisions of this Act, nor shall the rates charged to any points exceed those charged to any point of greater distance in the same direction from the place of shipment: *And further*, all shippers of western products, under through bills of lading, from any point west of Pittsburg, to the seaboard cities, shall have the privilege of disposing of their property at Pittsburg, by giving timely notice, before its arrival at that point, to the transfer agents of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and by delivering up their through bills of lading, thus releasing the Pennsylvania Railroad Company from all liability on account thereof. If the property is not sold at Pittsburg, the owner, consignee or shipper of said property shall have the right to deliver the same to the transfer agency of the Pennsylvania Railroad company at Pittsburg, and forward the same within ten days after its arrival at Pittsburg, under the conditions and rates of the original through bill of lading.

SEC. 3. That the Pennsylvania Railroad company shall be liable to taxation for all State purposes, and the said company shall pay the same rate of taxation which is now, or may hereafter, be imposed by any general law operating upon all other Railroad companies incorporated by this Commonwealth. The semi-annual installments of the said sum of thirteen millions five hundred and seventy thousand dollars, ($13,570,000,) and the balance of the said debt and interest so to be paid into the State Treasury as is herein provided, are hereby pledged to, and the same shall be applied only to the payment and extinguishment of the principal and interest of the funded debt of this Commonwealth, and to no other purpose whatsoever.

SEC. 4. That, for the purpose of developing the resources of the State, the Pennsylvania Railroad company is hereby authorized and required to expend the sum of eight hundred and fifty thousand dollars in aid to the Chartiers Valley Railroad company; the Pittsburg and Stubenville Railroad company; the Fayette County Railroad company, (between Greensburg and the Youghiogheny River;) the West Pennsylvania Railroad company, (between Blairsville and Butler; the Ebensburg and Cresson Railroad company; the Bedford Railroad company, (between Hopewell and Bedford;) the Tyrone and Clearfield company, and the Philipsburg and Waterford Railroad company, (between Tyrone and Brookville;) the Tyrone and Lock Haven Railroad company; the Mifflin and Centre County Railroad company, (between Lewistown and Reedville;) the Chambersburg and Allegheny Railroad company, (between Chambersburg and the point of connection with the Bedford Railroad near Hopewell;) or their successors or ensigns, in sums proportionated to their respective lengths between the above designated points, purchasing their bonds respectively from said Companies, payable in twenty years, with interest, payable semi-annually, secured by a first mortgage created for the purpose on their property, real and personal, and franchises acquired and to be acquired, and the said Companies are hereby respectively authorized and empowered to create and issue such bonds, and secure the payment thereof by such majority of their respective stockholders present at a meeting to be called for that purpose, of which notice shall be given, as provided by their charters or by-laws, respectively; said bonds, and the mortgages given to secure the same shall not exceed in amount the sum required for the cost of the superstructure of bridges, the rails, cross-ties, the chairs and spikes, and laying the track of the said roads, required for the cost of said roads, respectively—and the proceeds of all the said bonds, so secured, shall be exclusively applied to the said purposes—and the said purchases of bonds, shall be required to be made of each of the said companies in installments, after sections of said roads, respectively of the length of five miles from each end, as hereinbefore designated, shall have been duly and properly graded and the masonry completed, and after the said grading and masonry shall have been approved by a competent civil engineer, appointed by the Governor for that purpose—and who shall be paid for his services by the said companies receiving aid under the provisions of this Act—and when each section of five miles so graded from each such end of the said roads respectively, shall have been so completed and such certificate so given, then the pro rata proportion of the said bonds shall be purchased, and so continued from time to time until the amount payable to the said companies shall be exhausted—and the sum paid upon the completion of the said section as aforesaid respectively, shall be exclusively appropriated and be used for the purposes above mentioned, upon the section for and in respect to which the purchase is made—and for no other purpose or portion of said road whatsoever—*provided, however*, that if either of the said companies shall fail to grade and prepare for bridges, superstructure, and laying of track at least one section of five miles at each of such end of its road within one year—or the whole of their respective roads within three years from the passage of this act, any such company, so in default, shall no longer have any right to demand or require any further purchase of their bonds as aforesaid, and the sums which any such defaulting companies would have been entitled to demand in payment of their bonds, shall be added *pro rata* to the purchase to be made of such of the said companies as shall comply with the provisions of this section.

SEC. 5 That if any stockholder or stockholders of any railroad, canal, or slackwater navigation companies shall be dissatisfied with, or object to any of the provisions of this Act, to apply by petition to the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the chief office of the said companies may respectively be held—to appoint three disinterested persons to estimate and appraise the damage, if any, done to such stockholder or stockholders, and whose award, or that of a majority of them, when confirmed by the said Court, shall be final and conclusive. And the person so appointed shall also appraise the share or shares of said stockholders in the said company at the full market value thereof, without regard to any depreciation in consequence of the passage of this Act, and the said company may, at its election, either pay to the said holder the amount of damages so found, or the value of the stock so ascertained, and upon payment of the value of the stock as aforesaid, the said stockholder shall transfer the stock so held by him to the said company, to be imposed by directors of said company, or be retained by them for the benefit of the remaining stockholders. And all laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

A STRETCHER.—We once heard an old fellow, famous all over the country for his tough yarns, tell the following: He was telling what heavy wheat he had seen in New York.

"My father," said he, "once had a field of wheat, the heads of which were so close together that the wild turkeys when they come to eat, could walk around on the top of it anywhere."

We suggested that the turkeys must have been small ones.

"No, sir," continued he, "they were very large ones. I shot one of them one day, and when I took hold of his legs to carry him his head dragged in the snow behind me."

"A curious country you must have had, to have had snow in harvest time."

"Well, I declare," said he, looking a little foolish, "I reckon I've got part of two stories mixed!"

A DOCILE HUSBAND.—In Portland, Oregon, there is a man who lived with his wife several years, and they had several children. At last she got tired of him, and proposed that they should get a divorce. He said he had no objection if she would support him. She agreed to do so, and they were divorced. She is now married to another man, and supports her former husband by retaining him in the family as a servant.

☞ If the spring brings forth no blossoms, in summer there will be no beauty, and in autumn no fruit. So if youth be trifled away without improvement riper years will be contemptible, and old age miserable.