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FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 1892. SENATOR HERRING AND THE TAX BILL.

EDITORS COLUMBIAN: Realizing that a false impression exists among certain farmers of this county as to my position on the question of Equalization of Taxation, I am persuaded that a few words upon this subject will not be amiss at this time.

First.—Because I am not a candidate for any office, and second, because it cannot be charged that I am doing it to gain personal favor; my only object being to correct, if possible, a false impression created and fostered by political enemies.

I have no apology to make for having voted against what was known in the last session of the Legislature, as the "Taggart Tax Bill." I voted against that Bill because I believed it was unconstitutional and, in part, at least, burdensome and inquisitorial.

Senator George Ross, the leader on the democratic side, made the most vigorous speech against the Bill that was made during the session. Among other things, he said, [See Legislative Record, Vol. I, 1891, pg. 2630]

"Now, Sir, representing an agricultural district, answerable for my vote upon this subject to my constituents, who are among the farmer class in this community to a very great extent, I say this Bill does them great injustice, and that no Senator speaking in the interests of farmers will dare to vote for this amendment of the Senator from Westmoreland."

The amendment spoken of was to substitute a section of the Taggart Bill for a section of the Boyer Bill. It is a singular coincidence that the three democratic Senators Ross, Hall and myself, recently selected by the State Convention as Delegates at Large to the National Convention at Chicago were three of those who voted against this substitution.

And besides this, it was an open secret at Harrisburg, last winter that certain republican Senators were using their best efforts to place the Governor in a false light upon this very question. The scheme was this:

By joining with certain democrats who were honest in their belief that the democratic Senators should favor the "Taggart Bill" for political reasons enough votes could be secured to send the Bill to the Governor in such an imperfect shape that he would be compelled to veto it. The cry could then be raised that a democratic Governor was against Equalization of Taxation and all the blame be placed upon his shoulders.

Had not these plans been foreseen by certain democratic Senators, myself among the number, the scheme would, no doubt, have gone through, and I feel justified in saying that I had positive, direct and reliable information that if the Senate should pass the "Taggart Bill" as it was proposed, that the Governor would be compelled to veto it on the ground of its unconstitutionality, if for no other reason.

The friends of the bill refused to alter it. Along with other democratic Senators I then felt it my duty to refuse to vote for the Bill in the shape it then was. In other words, the position we took is to be accounted for on two grounds.

First. Because the bill was in itself faulty. SECOND. Because we were unwilling that Governor Pattison should be placed in a false light upon this vital question. Like Senator Ross and the Governor himself I believe that land bears an undue burden of taxes, that corporations do not bear their share, that a revision of the tax laws is necessary. I am willing to concede that the "Taggart Bill" had many commendable features.

But I know that it contained much that should have been stricken out, and the friends of the Bill in their vain efforts at forcing it upon the people in its crude and imperfect shape and refusing to allow reasonable and, as we deemed necessary, amendments thereto, succeeded in becoming the worst enemies to the Bill, and its failure to become a law can be attributed direct to them.

It is simply a piece of political demagogism to assert that all those who voted against the "Taggart Bill" were enemies to the Equalization of Taxation, and before any man should attempt to criticize such a vote, let him first post himself as to what the Bill contained at the time it was offered to

the Senate for its approval. How many of you have ever read the Bill or know what it contains? Be slow to blame, therefore, when you have nothing to guide you but the base misrepresentations of political demagogues who live and thrive upon the deceptions they practice upon other people.

GRANT HERRING. April 20th, 1892.

WHY DID THEY DO IT. By the decisive vote of 19 to 12 the Democratic County committee adopted the following resolution on February 12.

"Resolved, by the Standing Committee of Columbia county in Convention assembled, that we instruct our delegates to the state convention to vote for and use all honorable means to elect Hon. Grant Herring as one of the delegates at large to the National Convention, believing that Columbia County with her large and steady democratic majority at all times for the democratic candidate, is entitled to representation at large in the National Convention."

By a bare majority of one, a similar resolution was adopted instructing them to vote for William Krickbaum or district delegate.

Notwithstanding the strongly expressed will of the people in favor of Senator Herring, we are informed by reliable authority, that A. D. Seely, Jesse Rittenhouse and Thomas Boran refused to vote for Senator Herring in committee meeting, and did all in their power to defeat his selection.

Rohr M'Henry and Dr. F. W. Redeker were true to their trust, and voted for him as instructed.

Fortunately the Senator had enough friends in the state to secure his nomination, despite the action of the three delegates from his own county, and he was chosen by a vote in the convention of which he may well feel proud, only three other persons securing a higher vote, though there were twenty four names before the convention.

Senator Herring is a close friend to Governor Pattison, Secretary Harity and attorney General Hensel, and it was their wish that he should be placed on the ticket as a delegate at large, and it was done.

The action of three delegates named can only be accounted for on the ground that Boss Krickbaum issued his mandate to them not to vote for Herring, and they dared not disobey. The orders of the boss were superior to the expressed will of the people, and the people were betrayed. It is well known that Krickbaum attempted to control delegates from other counties in the Senatorial district against Herring, but they were not his pliant tools, and his effort failed.

How much longer are such things to be permitted by the Democratic party of Columbia county? How long will they continue to keep in power and place a man who never hesitates to go against the expressed will of the party whenever it suits his own selfish purposes to do so? When a man who has held office for half a life time and drawn pay from the public advises and commands a violation of party instructions, he is establishing a very bad precedent, and one that might react upon himself.

The success of Hood's Sarsaparilla is because it possesses true merit, and no claim is made for it which is not fully supported.

COURT PROCEEDINGS. Court met on Thursday, April 14, all the Judges present.

License of M. Q. White at Espy was transferred to his widow.

J. C. Brown, John Welliver and Charles Harris appointed viewers of a road in Mt. Pleasant near C. L. Sands.

J. B. Knittle appointed commissioner in place of Matthew M' Reynolds who declined, in the division of Locust township into two election districts.

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Judge Rice Sustained. THE SALOON MEN OF HAZLETON WILL PAY ONLY \$150 LICENSE.

There are some saloon keepers in Hazleton who have reason to regret the fact that they didn't take out their licenses.

The Supreme Court has decided that the fee shall be only \$150 and therefore County Treasurer McGroarty will have to refund \$350.

The matter came up before the Supreme Court to day and that Court sustained the opinion of Judge Rice that the license fee should be but \$150 instead of \$500.

While it is a matter of some regret to know that the city will lose the amount of money it counted upon, still it shows the wisdom of C. W. Kline, Esq., in taking his clients' case to the Supreme Court and it proves that the opinion of Judge Rice can be counted upon as a clear and just exposition of the law.

So the saloon men have reason to be happy.—Hazleton Sentinel.

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OUR SAVING FUND. THE PEOPLES CHOICE.

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Shares \$100 each. Cost of stock \$1.00 per share. Dues 75 cents per share per month, maturing guaranteed stock in about 7 years, and non-guaranteed in about 6 1/2 years. You can take any number of shares from one up. One share will mature \$100. Five shares, \$500 and ten shares \$1000. On each ten shares and up if applicant undergoes a satisfactory Medical examination a guarantee is given that in the event of death, the full \$100, on each share will be paid in cash at once; and in the case of a borrower, the mortgage be canceled and the home left free to the wife and little ones. Women can hold shares in their own names.

This is your opportunity to secure a profitable investment.

B. F. Sharpless. Geo. A. Herring. T. J. Vanderslice, Esq. J. B. Robinson, Esq. Frank Ikeler. Hugh W. McReynolds, M. D. Thos. Gorrey. I. W. Willis, M. D. 4-1-4t. Directors.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG, PA., For the year 1891.

TAX ROLL FOR 1891. Valuations, Rate, Amt. of Tax. Built up, 1,295,220 00, 12 mills, \$15,942 87.

ADD THE FOLLOWING EXONERATIONS: School Furnishing Company, \$10,000 00 Exonerated December 2, 1888, for 10 years.

YEARS WHEN DUE. 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897 1898 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1908

ROBERT BUCKINGHAM, Town Treasurer for 1891, in account with the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa. To monies received as follows: Cash on hand as per last annual statement, \$151 73.

MAI KET STREET. Amt. paid P. Rice use road machine in 1890, 11 50. Amt. paid S. F. Peacock & Co. sundries, 18 57.

AMT. PAID W. J. HEDDINGHAM, Chief Police. Amt. paid Wm. Ferguson, Com. of Highways, 44 00. Amt. paid labor and hauling, 5293 73.

CONSTABLE AND POLICE. Amt. paid Wesley Knorr, Chief Police, 91 09. Amt. paid M. C. Woodward, Town Constable, 20 00.

SEWERAGE. J. A. Hutchins & Co sewer pipe, 138 92. J. C. Brown services as supt. sewers, 16 43.

FIRE DEPARTMENT. W. A. Hartzel rent Oct 1, '90 to Apr 1, '91, 12 50. C. C. Keely sundries, 2 50.

WATER DEPARTMENT. Bloomsburg Water Co rent 48 fire hydrants Oct 1, '90 to July 1, '91, \$1 per hydrant per month, 47 81.

LIGHT. Hess Iron Mfg Co repairing lamp posts, 1 40. Power Co electric light June 9, 1891, to March 9, 1892, 1500 25.

TOWN HALL. Bloomsburg Steam Co steam 7100 Mar 1, '91 to Mar 1, '92, 170 41. Bloomsburg Water Co water 137 Apr 1, 1891 to Apr 1, 1892, 29 00.

OAK GROVE PARK. Bloomsburg Land Improvement Co rent 1 year June 4 '91 to June 4 '92, 1000 00. Elijah Shutt watchman, 129 87.

MISCELLANEOUS. S. F. Peacock auditor of 90 act, 5 00. A. H. Corell rubber stamps, 1 00. Guy Jacoby auditors, 9 75.

annual statement of 1890. \$25 00. Ewell & Bittenbender printing, Pub Ord 57, 60, 64, 68, 72, 76, 80, 84, 88, 92, 96, 100, 104, 108, 112, 116, 120, 124, 128, 132, 136, 140, 144, 148, 152, 156, 160, 164, 168, 172, 176, 180, 184, 188, 192, 196, 200, 204, 208, 212, 216, 220, 224, 228, 232, 236, 240, 244, 248, 252, 256, 260, 264, 268, 272, 276, 280, 284, 288, 292, 296, 300, 304, 308, 312, 316, 320, 324, 328, 332, 336, 340, 344, 348, 352, 356, 360, 364, 368, 372, 376, 380, 384, 388, 392, 396, 400, 404, 408, 412, 416, 420, 424, 428, 432, 436, 440, 444, 448, 452, 456, 460, 464, 468, 472, 476, 480, 484, 488, 492, 496, 500, 504, 508, 512, 516, 520, 524, 528, 532, 536, 540, 544, 548, 552, 556, 560, 564, 568, 572, 576, 580, 584, 588, 592, 596, 600, 604, 608, 612, 616, 620, 624, 628, 632, 636, 640, 644, 648, 652, 656, 660, 664, 668, 672, 676, 680, 684, 688, 692, 696, 700, 704, 708, 712, 716, 720, 724, 728, 732, 736, 740, 744, 748, 752, 756, 760, 764, 768, 772, 776, 780, 784, 788, 792, 796, 800, 804, 808, 812, 816, 820, 824, 828, 832, 836, 840, 844, 848, 852, 856, 860, 864, 868, 872, 876, 880, 884, 888, 892, 896, 900, 904, 908, 912, 916, 920, 924, 928, 932, 936, 940, 944, 948, 952, 956, 960, 964, 968, 972, 976, 980, 984, 988, 992, 996, 1000.

OTHER PAYMENTS. Paid on account of orders outstanding, 70. For 1887, 6 00. For 1888, 60 32. For 1889, 116 22. For 1890, 128 13. For 1891, 163 00. State tax on bonds for current year, 92 80. Treasurer's commission, 281 94. Balance in hands of Treas., 27 29. \$420 25.

Deduct amount of orders of 1891 outstanding, 1314 13. Leaves amount of unpaid orders, 2119 38. Bloomsburg, Pa., March 31, 1892.

We, the undersigned auditors of the Town of Bloomsburg, met from time to time for the purpose of performing our duties, and do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and statements and find them correct, and we hereby approve of the same. We recommend that the same be paid out of the available funds for the proper preservation of the valuable books and records belonging to the Town.

F. M. EVERETT, J. M. STRAYER, A. L. PRYDE, Auditors.

ASSETS. Balance due on duplicate of 1891, \$168 19. Balance in Treasurer's hands, 27 29. Due from sundry persons for sewer permits, 73 15. \$273 63.

LIABILITIES. Purged debt, \$203 00. Orders of 1888 outstanding, 4 72. Orders of 1889 outstanding, 1 04. Orders of 1890 outstanding, 2 14. Coupons of 1890 unpaid, 21 00. Coup. of 1891 unpaid, 100 49. \$432 35.

Net indebtedness, \$158 34. Attention, F. S. HARMAN, Pres. of Council, W. B. CUMMINGS, Secretary, April 7.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Allen Whitmore, late of Centre township, Columbia County, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Allen Whitmore, late of Centre township, Columbia County, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator to whom a person indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to ELIAS YOUNG, Administrator.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given to the creditors of the undersigned and to all persons whom it may concern that he will apply to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County for the benefit of the insolvent laws of this Commonwealth on Monday morning, May 2, 1892, at ten o'clock of said day, at which time any person having any objection to the undersigned administrator or to whom a person indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to DANIEL KASNER, Administrator.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of sundry writs of f. fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county and to me directed there will be exposed at public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 1892, at 2 o'clock p. m., all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Millin township, in the county of Columbia, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the north by land of Thomas Aten estate, on the east by land of W. J. Nungesser, and the south by land of H. and D. Hoes, on the west by land of J. Grover, containing

FORTY SEVEN ACRES, more or less. ALSO—All that certain piece or parcel of timber land situate in the township of Millin, county and State aforesaid, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at a dead black oak tree in the line of land of George Longenberger, dec'd, thence by the same and land of the heirs of John Snyder, dec'd, south 9 degrees 10 minutes east 121 perches to a stone; thence by land of Jacob Schweppenhiser, dec'd, north 50 1/2 degrees east 29 perches to a stone; thence by land of John Aten, dec'd, north 30 degrees 10 minutes west 12 1/2 perches to a stone; thence by land of Thomas Aten south 88 degrees west 21 perches to place of beginning, containing

SEVENTEEN ACRES, and Seventy Perches, strict measure. ALSO—All that certain tract of land situated partly in Millin and partly in Beaver townships, county and State aforesaid, surveyed in the warrantee name of William Steadman, bounded by land in the warrantee names of William P. Bradey on the west, Jeremiah Jackson on the south, Wm. Gray on the east, and George Shaffer and William Web on the north containing

THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY ONE AND THREE-FOURTH ACRES, and allowance of land, excepting Twelve and one-half acres heretofore sold to Gleason Nuss lying on the north west corner.

set out taken into execution at the suit of S. C. Lee & Son to use of D. W. Stark, and J. A. Schrock vs. L. K. Schweppenhiser, and to be sold as the property of L. K. Schweppenhiser. EVANS, W. B. & M. K. JOHN MOURY, Attys. Sheriff.

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