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Interest in the rates of duty imposed by the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill has given place, during the past week, to consideration of the special form of taxation which is to be imposed by the bill, in addition to the customs, to raise revenue. Indications at this time all point to the defeat of the income tax proposition advocated by Senators Bailey and Cummins and a following composed of practically all the Democrats and a considerable number of Republicans. This has been accomplished through the influence of the President. Mr. Taft, when informed by the Senate leaders of their inability to array a majority of the Senate against the income tax, determined that the psychological moment had arrived for the accomplishment of a reform first proposed by President Roosevelt and heartily espoused by Mr. Taft when he was a member of the Roosevelt cabinet. This is the inspection by the federal authorities of the books and transactions of corporations, with a view to eliminating those corporate abuses which have been the bane of the management of the great corporations in this country and the exposure of which has so shaken public confidence in their securities. Mr. Taft conceived the idea that by imposing a tax on the net earnings of corporations the government could compel them to submit their books to the inspection of federal officials; that such corporations, owing, as they do, their being to the state, could thus be required to contribute their shares to the expenses of the state; that the deficit in the federal revenues could be wiped out; and that the nation could be relieved from almost sole dependence on the customs' duties as a source of revenue.

The President did not undertake to force his ideas on Congress until the Senate leaders appealed to him for assistance to head off the income tax, but when they asked his help he gave it in such form that they now find themselves compelled to provide a system of excise which to the majority of them is only in degree less repugnant than the income tax. This situation constitutes a material victory for the President and a serious blow to that autocracy which Senator Aldrich and a few chosen colleagues have long exercised in the Senate. In the estimation of all thoughtful observers the enouement of the situation in the senate augurs well for the future of all those progressive policies for which Judge Taft stands and to which in the natural order of things he extremely conservative element in the Senate must have proven an unsurmountable obstacle.

Of course the defeat of the income tax proposition is a serious disappointment to its Democratic advocates. Nevertheless even they obtain some measure of victory in the triumph of President Taft, for it has been agreed that both houses of Congress will pass, by the necessary two-thirds vote, a joint resolution providing for an amendment to the constitution specifically authorizing Congress to impose a tax on incomes. That such an amendment necessary is doubted by some of the ablest lawyers in the Senate, including Mr. Bailey of Texas. On the other hand President Taft and other jurists of a standing which entitles their opinions to respect believe that it would be decidedly unsafe for the federal government to enact an income tax and depend upon it for revenues because of the possibility that the

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Supreme Court might again pronounce such excise unconstitutional. The accomplishment of a two-third vote in both houses of Congress for the proposed constitutional amendment is no small achievement. That accomplished, it will remain only for the states themselves to approve it and when three-fourths of them have done so all possibility of judicial defeat for an income tax will have been removed.

The contract for the construction of the new drydock of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, has been awarded to the San Francisco Bridge Company, the contract being for \$1,760,000. Announcement to this effect was made this week by the Assistant Secretary of the Navy. The drydock is to be the largest one that has been yet built by the United States and it will be capable of holding the largest vessels in the navy. Its length will be 620 feet, and its width 140 feet.

July Lippincott's.

It is only fair to warn people who prefer fiction of the gloomy, risqué, or generally horrible kind that they will not be interested in the July Lippincott's. Not that the contents are entirely frivolous—there is, as there should be, a leaven of seriousness; but the general tone is joyous, uplifting, encouraging the reader to cheer up and view the world "through rose-colored glasses," as did the naive little heroine of the complete novel—"Color of Rose," by Dorothea Deakin.

There are half a dozen clever short stories in the issue. "That Little Dinner at Larrabee's," by John Kendrick Baugs, is in this genial humorist's best vein. "To the Manner Born," by Grace MacGowan Cooke, is a story of quality, enlightening and enlivening. "The Jealousy of Anna Karenina," by Lucy Copinger; "A Cup of Cold Water," by Edith Morgan Smith; and "Sixty Minutes," by George Wetherill Earl, Jr., are all fully up to the usual high standard of this magazine's short stories. Mrs. La Salle Corbell Pickett's sketch, "The Old Man Reflects," is also worthy of mention.

Another important feature is the first of three papers which under the generic title "Those Nerves" discuss nervous disorders, real and imaginary. The author is George Lincoln Walton, M. D., whose book "Why Worry?" has proved a boon to thousands of readers. The department "Ways of the Hour" contains brief but noteworthy articles by Thomas L. Mason, Ellis O. Jones, Minna Thomas Antrim, and Phil Collom.

Some sparkling epigrams by Nina A Royall; poetry by Thomas E. Burke, Sue Jauss Bieber, William J. Lampton, Robert Gilbert Welsh, Lucy Leffingwell Cable, and Clinton Scollard; and Lippincott's famous humorous department, "Walnuts and Wine," complete the number.

A Fourth of July Table.

The table service for a Fourth of July dinner should be of blue china, with a white cloth, of course. A centerpiece of red geraniums in a blue bowl will complete the patriotic color-scheme. The place-cards may have tiny flags in the corner, and the serviettes may be folded into tent-shapes with a wee flag flying from the top, and a toy soldier for sentry standing before each. To carry out the color-scheme, the soup may be cream of corn, with little red stars cut from slices of beet floating in it, and the fish course may be lobster farci, with potatoes Parisienne. But do not try for color at the expense of the goodness of your food.—Woman's Home Companion for July.

That anger is a miraculously speedy cure for at least certain varieties of lameness was amply demonstrated Monday. A woman who for several days has been hobbling about on crutches selling court-plaster became angered at her escort, who has but one leg, and proceeded to administer corporal punishment with a vengeance. When the police interfered the woman not only dropped her crutches, but walked to the lock-up without limping. Mayor Richard sent the imposters out of town post haste.

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In Recorders' Hands.

Attorneys Ammerman and Maxie of Scranton, on behalf of J. G. White Company of Philadelphia, filed a petition to the Federal court at Scranton Tuesday for a receiver for the Berwick Consolidated Gas Company of Berwick. S. C. Jayne of Berwick, and William E. Barret of Scranton were appointed as the receivers. The plant is valued at \$225,000 and the total indebtedness is \$190,000. Avery Clinton Sickle's president of the company, made a statement to the effect that the company was in a bad way.

F. R. Jackson.

F. R. Jackson, president of the First National Bank of Berwick died at his home late Wednesday evening, after an illness of several weeks. He was one of the most prominent business men in Columbia county. Surviving him is a daughter, Mrs. H. P. Field, and a sister Mrs. R. H. Gilbert, both of Berwick.

Of all evangelistic methods, that adopted by William H. Flake is one of the most unique. Flake is cruising down the north branch of the Susquehanna in a small boat, stopping to hold meetings at points along the way. Bloomsburg and Danville were the last places visited. Twenty-seven years of Flake's life, prior to his conversion, were spent in prison.

It is reported in railroad circles at Harrisburg that the new yards which will be built at Northumberland, will be patterned after those at Enola, and that their cost will be in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000. When it is considered that this is more than the total railroad pay in Susbury in two full years, Northumberland's sanguine hopes for the biggest boom in its history seem justified.

The Board of Pardons at their meeting in Harrisburg Thursday failed to reach the application for a re-hearing made in the cases of Fortunado and Antonio Callebro of West Berwick, convicted in September 1907 of selling liquor without license and of extortion. The men are under sentence of five and four years respectively in the Eastern penitentiary.

The thirty-second anniversary of the founding of the Royal Arcanum was celebrated by the Associated Councils of the Susquehanna Valley, which includes Bloomsburg, Berwick, and Danville Councils, yesterday by a joint picnic at Rolling Green Park, near Sunbury. Addresses by prominent Supreme and Grand Council officials, dancing, and sports, marked the day.

Mayor Richard has given formal orders for the arrest of any and all violators of the town ordinance prohibiting the sale of fire-crackers, squibs, or firearms prior to July 4. Violation of the ordinance makes the offender liable to a fine of \$5. The Mayor has also given notice that the ordinance prohibiting riding bicycles on the pavements of town will be rigidly enforced.

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the state of Pennsylvania, on Thursday, the 1st day of July, A. D., 1909, by Lewis S. Clewell, Adam Hummel, Christian A. Small and William B. Ferguson, and others, under the Act of Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania, entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved the 29, April, 1874, and supplements thereto for the charter of an intended corporation to be called Bloomsburg Brick Manufacturing and Construction Company, the character and object of which is the manufacturing of brick and construction of buildings and for these purposes to have and enjoy, all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and supplements thereto. CHRISTIAN A. SMALL, 6-10-3t. Solicitor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of William H. Lord, deceased, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of William H. Lord, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., deceased have been granted to the undersigned, administrator, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to FRED E. LORD, Administrator, Espy, Pa. J. G. FREEZE, Atty. 6-10-6t.

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RICH SIBERIAN CROPS.

To Religion More Capable of Producing Human Food. Though the name of Siberia is still popularly accepted as a synonym for all that is Arctic and sterile, says the London Globe, it is becoming clearer every year that few regions of the earth are more capable of producing immense stores of human food. This year, in particular, when the crops over much of European Russia have failed, the richness of the Siberian lands has been extremely conspicuous, and there is surplus produce in vast abundance, the only difficulty being the inadequate means of transport. With a virgin soil and a far more active and independent Russian population than is to be found in most parts of Russia itself, there is no doubt that a great agricultural future should await this enormous region.

Mark Twain as an Art Critic. Mark Twain's humorous advice to some burglars who broke into his house the other day proves that he has the faculty of finding humor in the most unexpected places. A friend once took him to see a very beautiful and valuable piece of sculpture. It represented a young woman coiling up her hair, and the workmanship was such that the owner's other companions stood open-mouthed in admiration. "Well," said the host, turning to Mark Twain for his verdict, "what do you think of it? Grand, isn't it?" "Yes, it's very pretty," said Mark, "but it's not true to nature!" "Why not?" inquired every one in surprise. "She ought to have her mouth full of hairpins," replied the humorist gravely.—Wasp.

Time's Changes. When the "old schoolboys" studied geography they were familiar with a blank space on the map known as the Great American Desert, a hopeless region. Now the best apples in the United States are raised there.

The curbstone market opened in Bloomsburg this morning, with about a dozen wagons in line and a big variety of fruit and vegetables shown. Liberal patronage was accorded, and if this is maintained the market will be continued as in former seasons. During the continuance of the market, produce can not be lawfully sold on the streets until after market hours.

Because he neglected to affix a Government stamp to a deed to a lot purchased from the Rosemont Cemetery Company 37 years ago, John Farver, of Sixth street, was advised by the Internal Revenue Department at Washington, D. C., that he must journey to Scranton, purchase a fifty-cent stamp to affix to the deed, and pay a fine of \$10 to fully rectify the error. The fine plus the expense of the Scranton trip nearly equals the original purchase price of the lot, which was \$16.

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