

Lancaster Intelligencer.

TUESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 11, 1893.

No Unnecessary Taxation.

The New York Tribune misrepresents or misunderstands the issues defined between the political parties in this state when it intimates that it has been proposed on behalf of the Democrats of Pennsylvania to continue the federal internal revenue taxes on whiskey and tobacco and divide among the counties the money received from them by the general government.

The Pennsylvania Democracy favor no such thing. They have unmistakably declared against the continuance of the internal revenue tax because the money that it raises is not needed.

The radical cure for the evil is in the reduction of taxation, so that no more will be taken from the people than enough to carry on the government with economy.

President Arthur in his message referring to the same subject said:

I heartily approve of the secretary's recommendation of immediate and extensive reductions in the annual revenues of the government. It will be remembered that I urged upon the attention of Congress at its last session the importance of relieving the industry and enterprise of the country from the pressure of unnecessary taxation.

The commissioner of internal revenue pointed out that the estimated receipts from the internal revenue tax for the next year would be just about \$145,000,000—the amount indicated by the present data as the unnecessary surplus; and he gave good advice that "no more revenue should be raised than is necessary for an economical administration of the government and a radical reduction of the public debt."

It cannot fairly be contended for that this surplus should be applied to the payment of the national debt. This generation has already borne its burden of that. Since 1865 the debt has been reduced from \$2,750,451,371 to little more than a billion and a half.

There are many objections in detail to the internal revenue tax, besides the general objection that it is not needed. It is an unequal tax. The corn whiskey that can be made for 27 cents a gallon is taxed 90-333 per cent.

To those who oppose the abolition of the internal revenue tax, on the ground that it means free whiskey and free tobacco, the Democratic party answers that these articles of luxury and fit sub-

THE FROST.

HOW IT HAS AFFECTED THE CROPS.

Great Injury Done to the Grain Growing States—Incidental Damage to Ohio and Other States—In Pennsylvania.

The importance of accurate information from points in the great corn belt of the West is the subject of the writer's work of the railroads and the question of food supply.

The Philadelphia Press has received very general telegraphic reports concerning the damage done, and the following is condensed from them:

A dispatch from St. Louis, Mo., says that from all points in the West and Northwest reports continue to pour in, stating that great injury has been done by the late frosts.

From Urbana, Ill., the following was received: The cold winds of last night were followed this morning by a heavy white frost which appeared here this morning, doing much damage to crops, especially to corn.

From St. Paul, Minn.: What little corn there is along the Manitoba railroad has been much injured by a continuing frost, killed outright. Along the Omaha road, where the greater part of the corn of this section of the country is grown, the weather was not so cold, but still the frost was heavy, and serious damage was done.

From Milwaukee comes the blood-curdling report that the frost has entirely destroyed the cucumber crop. The magnitude of this calamity makes the cyclones and tornadoes of the West pale in insignificance.

Since the Republican Senate set the good example, ultimatums have become quite the proper caper. Harry Hill, the stakeholder in the Slade-Mitchell prize fight, attests their popularity by announcing his ultimatum to be, that the proposed fight shall take place within 100 miles of New Orleans, on Monday, October 23.

The Oriole celebration, now in progress in Baltimore, calls attention to the many efforts that southern cities have of late years been making to attract capital and population within their borders.

We are indebted to Mrs. M. J. Nevin, of Caerwyn Place, for the following copy from the records of Bedford county of the deed from the Indians to Garret Pendegrass, for the ground on which Allegheny City is now built.

ASSENT, [Seal.] Enlisher or Capt. Henry Montare, H. M. Coule, sealbearer or the White Mingo, [Seal.] Recorded 19th September, 1772. A. ST. CLAIR, Recorder.

A SAD AFFAIR.

A YOUNG GIRL SHOT BY HER BROTHER.

Andrew Williams' Terrible Record of Crime—A List of Short Items from Many Parts.

The home of John Williams at Scranton was the scene of a thrilling tragedy Monday afternoon, in which Andrew Williams, a young man of 21, shot his 18-year-old sister, Maggie, through the head.

Quakertown, Bucks county: This section was visited by a heavy frost. Corn and vegetables in low places suffered considerably.

The fishing schooner Restless, of Lunenburg, has just been towed into port at Barrington, N. S., in a wrecked condition, having been picked up at sea without a human being on board.

Calamitous Circumstances. A fire at Minfordville, Ky., yesterday morning, destroyed the pork house of F. A. Smith, the freight depot of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, and a saloon and blacksmith shop. Loss, \$75,000.

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BASEBALL.

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The Home Team Play a Miserable Game—Hofford's Pitching Does Not Excite the Victors.

Every baseball club had an easy job winning yesterday when they defeated the Ironides for the third time in the five games which the home club played. The Eastons were not slow to recover from their defeat of Saturday and yesterday they determined to win the game.

The visitors presented a stronger team than on Saturday. It will be remembered that on that day the Ironides made a number of runs on their catcher.

The Pittsburgh Leader believes that the abolition of church fairs marks an important step in ecclesiastical reform.

According to the Philadelphia Ledger, "in most parts of the country it no longer requires an act of Congress to secure a recognition of the civil rights of colored persons, and it really would not matter much now if the supreme court were to decide the civil rights act unconstitutional."

CHARLES KNIGHT, the English novelist, said to be engaged in writing a series of lives of the patriarchs of scripture.

EDWARD J. SWARTZ, a well-known Philadelphia journalist, has sold to George Uimer, of the Lizzie May Uimer company, a four act comedy, entitled "That Girl."

MINISTER YOUNG, at Pekin, says he has learned from official sources that the census of China, as taken last year for purposes of taxation, shows a total population of 255,000,000.

A New Wrinkle in Pedestrianism. An innovation was made at Chicago in the walking match last week. 35 attempts of William Kitzig, a laborer, 35 times in 10 hours for a wager.

Reading News. The officers and board of trustees of the Schuylkill seminary of the Evangelical association went to Lebanon on Monday, and will hold a meeting there to decide upon a permanent location of the Schuylkill seminary, now having its headquarters at 6th and Walnut streets, Reading.

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