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EVENING BULLETIN.

Saturday, September 11, 1869.

THE INCOME TAX.

It has long been felt that the very first of the pecuniary burdens of the late war which should be taken from the shoulders of the people is the income tax. During the war, all burdens were cheerfully borne by those who loved their country and desired her triumph over the rebellion, but now that peace is restored, and the tide of national prosperity has again fully set in, there is an impatient desire that this particular tax should be abolished.

This demand has been uniformly resisted, for the very natural reason that the income tax yields a very large part of the national resources, and the only concession that has been made has been to increase the exemption from $500 to $1,000. This afforded a very considerable relief, but the burden of the income tax still presses heavily on a very large class of the community.

The *North American* makes a very judicious suggestion which we unite in urging upon the early attention of Congress. The income tax cannot be taken off all at once. But it should be raised gradually, and upon such a principle as will relieve successive classes in the order of their ability to pay it. The present suggestion is to increase the exemption to $2,000, and to reduce the rate to three per cent. It is argued soundly, the argument being based upon the experience of the Government in collecting the whisky tax, that the revenues will not suffer seriously, and probably not at all, by this concession. The temptation to evasion and fraud is diminished and far truer and larger returns will be made. The fact that only six or seven millions of gallons of whisky paid the two-dollar tax during the last year of its imposition, while the revenue is now coming in at the rate of eighty millions, clearly proves that it was a great mistake for the sake of public morals as for the sake of public revenue, to take off the excessive tax and substitute a lower one.

The Republican party has always legislated in the interest of the masses of the people, and, in the adjustment of the taxes made necessary by the rebellion, every possible regard was paid to the principle that laid them lightest and least where they could be least easily borne. At the outset, the $500 exemption was made, and as soon as it was felt to be possible the exemption was extended to $1,000. The time has now come to open the gate of escape from this income tax a little higher, and extend the exemption to the next lowest class. This change would not only be a most popular one, but would be a safe and judicious one, and we trust that it will be made at the next session of Congress.

There is one point in the argument of our excellent contemporary from which we wholly dissent. It recognizes the publication of the income returns as a valuable agency in keeping up the revenue. The *North American* says:

"It must be remembered that if there be great temptations to evasion of this tax, there are also great inducements to pay it. To men in business the published income lists are a matter of credit not to be despised by any one, and if the revenue be defrauded by false returns, inadvertently the business of some, there is a large class of men who regularly return larger incomes than they actually have, in order to keep up their credit. In society, private citizens do this to a large extent. These facts have long been notorious."

It is undoubtedly true that there are men who will pay tax for the sake of cutting large figures before the public, but we cannot believe that these little men form a "large class." But whether this is true or not, we cannot, by regard the publication of the incomes of private individuals, as one of the worst features of the whole business. In no country but this is such a practice ever been tolerated. Everywhere but here, the right of a man to privacy in his own affairs is fully respected, and his returns of his business or private income are properly regarded as entirely confidential. And so it should be here. Not only has a no business whatever to know what He income is, but, what is still more to the purpose, the published lists give him only the most uncertain and generally incorrect information on the subject. It may have a very small taxable income, but a very large untaxable one, his investments being in bank stocks or other securities on which the tax is paid by the corporations issuing them. The published lists hold him up as returning a few hundreds of income, and a very large proportion of the rulers of the land immediately conclude that he has made a fraudulent return, and he is condemned and despised accordingly.

To a much larger class than that which counts the notoriety of publishing exaggerated returns, these lists are a source of the utmost annoyance and mortification. They are felt to be a most unnecessary exposure of private affairs, and a breach of confidence between the Government and the people. It may be, and is a very foolish pride, that shrinks from exhibiting its modest resources beside the gigantic incomes of more wealthy neighbors, but it is very common, and, where no sufficient good is to be attained by disregarding it, and where it has the natural right of privacy on its side, its demands ought to be regarded. We believe there is no law calling for the publication of these income lists, and we should be glad if our new Collectors would set the example of discontinuing them. If they tempt a few men to return a little too much, they will surely tempt a great many other men to return nothing at all.

A DUMB ORACLE.

And still no voice comes from the oracles of the *Age* office, telling us of the genteel Democratic opinion of the Democratic nominations. Ahem remains upon the ticket, and dreams of the emoluments, the honors, and the opportunities for helping suffering friends offered by the coveted Clerkship of Quarter Sessions; Stewart, too, holds his nomination while he mixes his drinks and dreams hopes; and Hurley thinks of the promise of the Fourth Ward and McMullin's murderous threats, and doubts not that he will climb to office. And the *Age* is silent. It is fierce bluster against Governor Geary; a savage hitter at Judge Read; a vigorous denouncer of President Grant; a valiant assailant of helpless negroes; and a very Captain Boabdil when Gen. Butler is discussed; but it is as gentle as a lamb when Mr. McMullin and his friends are to be denounced. It does not even "roar you as gently as any sucking dove." It does not roar at all—or even mutter. It cannot defend McMullin, his friends and his cohorts, and it is afraid to denounce them. It knows that John P. Ahem is no more fit to be trusted in the Quarter Sessions Court, outside of the dock, than any other man who stands on its records indicted for felony; and it is aware of the fact that every decent man in the community is indignant at Democratic Alderman McMullin's threat to organize mob law and murder in this city in behalf of the Democracy on election day; and yet it remains quiet, ignoring the very existence of the city ticket in its editorial columns, and excluding McMullin's cowardly threats from its local reports. Now it makes no particular difference, as far as the result of the election is concerned, whether the *Age* discusses these matters or not. The people have made up their minds and have determined to crush the outlaws utterly; but a journal has a duty to perform, a lecture its neighbors upon propriety, and to read to other editors Turveydropizal lectures upon deportment, ought at least to be consistent enough to say a few words in behalf of law and order, and in favor of the nomination of decent men upon its ticket. It ought to do this even if it knows that its influence with its party is so small that an expression of its opinion will not produce the slightest change for the better.

We learn with much satisfaction that the Philharmonic Society has determined to begin the winter campaign vigorously and with an earnest effort to win for itself a secure place in popular favor. It was feared during the summer that the apathy of some of the members would become infectious, and that a consequent want of interest in the society, among its most important constituents, would result in its failure to accomplish anything during the coming winter. But there were some enthusiastic men in the ranks who determined that this should not be, and so a fresh start has been taken, and several musical gentlemen of the highest standing have been nominated for the offices, with pledges to labor valiantly in its behalf. The character of the men named is a sufficient guarantee of the success of the Philharmonic, and so we may look for two or three good concerts from it this season. Those given last winter were excellent, but they were not supported by the public as generously as they should have been. We hope to have popular indifference to this useful organization disappear into deep interest, and we are sure that this can be done, if the Philharmonic fulfills the good promise of its first year, and gives only first-class concerts. The New York society of the same name is a great favorite, and there is no reason why ours may not be, when it is better known.

This has been a week of sensations. Every day we have had to record some fresh horror in the shape of murder, natural convulsion, or unavoidable disaster, until we have an aggregate which is appalling. First, there was the suicide of a miserable assassin in Moyamensing Prison. Then—Detective Brooks was wounded, it is feared mortally, by agents of the whisky ring; then came the Avondale massacre, by which more than one hundred men were killed, and as many families left in mourning and desolating the Eastern States were visited by a tornado which destroyed many lives and a vast amount of property; there was an explosion upon the Erie Railroad, by which four men lost their lives, and there was a frightful collision upon a railroad near Zanesville, Ohio, which smashed two trains to atoms and killed four or five persons. Yesterday another attempt at murder was made in the Twenty-fifth Ward of this city, and there was a cowardly disaster with four victims at Rockaway, New Jersey. There is a belief that crimes and accidents are epidemic, and the record of the closing week seems to confirm it. Let us hope that the epidemic of disaster and murder have been exhausted now, so that for a long time we shall have to announce no more of these terrible occurrences.

The death of Hon. John Bell will excite very little interest in the political world. Like many other politicians he proved false to his country in the hour of her extremest peril, and having thus flung away his grandest opportunity to win popular affection, and to prove his worthiness to be the custodian of high trusts, he sank out of sight, and from falling into the position of an honored leader, he became an obscure traitor, whose death will not be mourned outside of his own circle of personal friends.

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