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THE FINANCIAL PROBLEM

VIEWS OF TREASURER HUNTER AND AUDITOR TAYLOR.

PLAN FOR RELEASING PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM DIRECT TAXATION.

LIQUOR, INCOME, AND STAMP TAXES DISCUSSED.

THE PRESENT LAWS AS REVISED BY MR. TAYLOR.

By a resolution of the House of Delegates agreed to April 24, 1874, the Treasurer and Auditor of Public Accounts of the State were directed to frame a tax-bill and submit it to that body at the present session. Two distinct propositions were yesterday presented to the House—one drawn by Mr. Hunter, the Treasurer, the other by Mr. Taylor, the Auditor. In communicating the bill, which embodies his (Mr. Hunter's) views, Messrs. Hunter and Taylor say: "In a report of certain commissioners appointed by the State of New York, at the head of whom was Mr. David A. Wells, it was urged with great ability that it was just and good policy to exempt personal property almost entirely from taxation, and in lieu of that to impose a tax equal in rate to that upon realty upon thirty per cent. of the assessed value of realty in the towns, which was said to be about equal in amount to the rent in the cities and about equal in value to the personal property exempted from taxation in the cities. Such a tax, it was said, would yield more money than was derived from all the personal property, and fall for the most part on the same person, if payable by the renter or occupier of the premises."

HOW TO REACH CAPITAL AND OTHER PERSONALTY. Dr. Morse congratulated the Richmond Association on their beautiful program and the plan which they had been enabled to accomplish. He gave him great pleasure to welcome here delegates from different sections of the State, and to bring cheering tidings of the general condition of the Young Men's Christian Association work.

There were two points of special encouragement which he alluded to. 1. There had been great progress in the individual associations within five years, the number of such having increased from 500 to 1,000. The numerical progress had been great, but the increase of the material prosperity of the associations had been greater. The number of churches had increased from 100 to 200, and the value of such property now amounts to nearly two millions of dollars. Fifty-six associations are accumulating funds with which to purchase property, and these individual associations now have fully two and a half million dollars.

There has been very great progress in the general work. There are now seventy general secretaries, who give their whole time to the work of helping the associations to be more efficient. Until recently there was only one general secretary (Mr. Turner), who was doing the work of twenty State and provincial committees in twenty States and five provinces, and there are a number of fully-organized State associations, four of which employ regular secretaries.

He felicitated the brethren on the auspicious beginning of this Convention, and expressed his earnest wishes for its future. He earnestly insisted that lay labor is the great work before the associations, and that this is simply an uprising of Christian lay for the work of the Lord.

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He gave an interesting incident in the efforts of the Association in Washington for the salvation of the young men of that city, and eloquently urged that the mothers, sisters, and fathers of the land are appealing to us to save the young men. He made an earnest appeal to the young men present to go out after the young men (strangers and heathens), and eye to eye, hand to hand, and heart to heart, tell them that they must come.

REV. J. T. TYLER, of the Seventh-Street Christian church, was then called out, and made a very happy little speech, in which he insisted that the objects of the Association are in full harmony with the spirit of the age, which demands work and unity. He insisted that fruit rather than creed is now demanded, and that the great question now is, "What have you done and what are you doing for Christ?"

He rejoiced at the tendency to unity of effort among Christians, and that we are all brothers, who are united in the same platform and the same cause. He insisted that the young men are the hope of the churches and of the world, and that the success of these associations comes from the fact that they work for the young men. He anticipated yet greater success in the future, and felt assured that the work of the Association will be successful.

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The following committees were then announced: On Credentials.—T. D. Ranson, Furman Tupper, Arthur Arrington, J. H. Blair, H. L. Sellers. During the absence of the committees the delegates were entertained by two excellent addresses by gentlemen who were called out.

REV. A. C. HENSON rejoiced at this meeting on the common platform of love to Christ to work for the elevation and salvation of the young men of the country. The world moves on wheels and talks by electricity, and Christians must keep pace with the march of progress. He spoke of the peculiar temptations to which young men are exposed, and earnestly urged that they give them sympathy and help.

Young Men's Christian Association.

TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

INTERESTING ADDRESS BY REV. DR. MORSE, OF NEW YORK; REV. JOSEPH Z. TYLER, OF RICHMOND; GEORGE A. HALL, ESQ., OF WASHINGTON, AND OTHERS.

STATE CONVENTION ORGANIZED.

OFFICERS ELECTED, &c.

At 7 o'clock last evening a goodly company of Christian workers assembled in Association Hall, and were called to order by the President, Mr. Loring, who made a few remarks. After singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," and prayer by Rev. Dr. Peterkin, Mr. Edwards welcomed the visitors, in which he cordially welcomed the visitors and congratulated the Association that they are able to meet under the broad banner of Christian unity, and with the experience of twenty years ago to go to work with renewed power of devising wise and liberal measures for the increased efficiency of the Association in the future.

He said that the Young Men's Christian Association stands on the broad platform of evangelical Christianity, and work to make the young men sober, moral, and to bring them to Christ.

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VIRGINIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION.

THIRD DAY.

The subject of mechanical dentistry was resumed yesterday, and was discussed by Drs. Shooks, Way, Thompson, Sprinkle, Hunt, and Smith. Dr. Thompson thought it very important that dentists should have clean hands, and suggested the use of bicarbonate of soda and soap when leaving the laboratory for the office.

Fifteen or twenty minutes were consumed in a conversational discussion of obtaining this desirable result. Dr. Steel said this conversation was not only interesting and instructive, but was, through small matter, quite an important one. Still we were treating on the time which has been devoted to the question of the next subject in order—viz: That of operative dentistry. Before leaving that of mechanical dentistry, however, he wished to utter a word of warning, especially to the younger members of the profession. The subject of artificial dentures had been so thoroughly ventilated, and reported in the papers so minutely, that attention would naturally be directed to it, and many inquiries made about and requests for the new base, and we were in danger of yielding too readily to the temptation often made by our patients to extract slightly decayed natural teeth, and substituted for "prettier and more regular" artificial ones. The light, therefore, for the preservation of the natural teeth would have to be renewed. He had said a thousand things, but he wished nothing cheaper than gold had ever been known, and would wish that the inducement to sacrifice the natural teeth for artificial ones would be removed. Beautiful and useful artificial teeth are, fulfilling as they do more purposes for which they are designed than any other artificial organ, and would not give one good, sound, natural tooth for a whole set of artificial ones. He related several cases in which he had by judicious filing saved the natural teeth after they had been condemned; had one case of seventeen years standing, in which all but two or three of the teeth had been extracted, and he was having but recently saved his patient, who, when but a child, was told by another dentist her teeth could not be saved. His advice was therefore never to recommend the extraction of a tooth which could be saved. He wished to give you a good, sound, natural tooth for a whole set of artificial ones. He related several cases in which he had by judicious filing saved the natural teeth after they had been condemned; had one case of seventeen years standing, in which all but two or three of the teeth had been extracted, and he was having but recently saved his patient, who, when but a child, was told by another dentist her teeth could not be saved. His advice was therefore never to recommend the extraction of a tooth which could be saved. He wished to give you a good, sound, natural tooth for a whole set of artificial ones.

On motion, the subject of Operative Dentistry was taken up and discussed. Dr. Thackston stated that he would avail himself of the opportunity, while the subject of operative dentistry was before the meeting, to discuss a subject which he had been discussing in his views as expressed at a former meeting of the Association. He did not do that on occasion of or intend to convey the impression that the death and dry log or "mummy" of dental pulp, sometimes obtained after the application of the High Priest gave cheering assurances of the peace and harmony in the State. There was a very large attendance of delegates from all parts of the State, including Senator R. E. Withers, and much interest manifested in the proceedings of the assembly. The Grand Committee met at 10 o'clock noon, and the Grand Chapter at 6 P. M.

GRAND COMMANDEY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.—At the Grand Assembly of the M. E. Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of Virginia begun and held at Masons' Hall yesterday afternoon. The Grand officers were unanimously elected for the ensuing year: F. E. William B. Isaacs, Grand Commander; R. E. Robert E. Withers, D. Grand Commander; V. E. L. F. Johnson, Grand Generalissimo; V. E. James G. Bain, Grand Captain-General; E. James Evans, Grand Treasurer; J. H. Turner, Grand Recorder; E. George W. Dams, Grand Chaplain; E. John F. Reynolds, Grand Senior Warden; E. Peyton S. Coles, Grand Junior Warden; E. J. L. Roper, Grand Standard-Bearer; E. James S. Moss, Grand Sword-Bearer; E. W. H. Lynn, Grand Warder; E. W. H. Lynn, Grand Steward; E. James E. Riddick, Grand Sentinel.

COLORADO SHARPERS SENTENCED TO JAIL FOR TWELVE MONTHS.—James Turner and Lucy Ann Turner (his wife), who obtained from the State of Colorado a license to sell opium (as related in this paper yesterday), were examined by Police-Justice White yesterday morning, and sent to jail for twelve months each. It seems that they have been playing these sharp tricks quite extensively, and a number of sufferers by their wiles. Dr. Burton said he would not have the members think he favored plastic fillings as now in general use, because they were imperfect, and he never put them in with any assurance that they would last more than five days, though they often did last as many years.

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Richmond Male and Female Orphan Asylum.

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[Contributions from those disposed to help the orphans will be received at our counter and handed over to the two societies. Last year an amount for a good dinner for each of the orphans was made up in this way. No less, it is hoped, will be done so. Santa Claus pays his visits to but few of these fatherless children. Let all remember these little waifs at this happy season.]

To the Editors of the Dispatch: Please say in your next issue that the George Schonberger who was before the Police Justice yesterday morning for beating his wife is not George V. Schonberger, of Eighteenth Street. Very respectfully, Richmond, Va., December 17, 1874.

OVER THE SEA, OVER THE SEA. A little bird whispers to me Buy your Christmas goods of PRIZEN.

1892, C. COLUMBUS, who crossed the Atlantic in 1492, but D. COLUMBUS, of this city, of whom we now propose to write. Do you know D. COLUMBUS? If not, go to the house No. 321 Broad Street, and make his acquaintance. You will see there, in wonderful profusion, arrayed by artistic hands, toys of all kinds and descriptions, and enough of them to supply every home in the city, and every school, and every public building. He has a fine collection of books, and a fine collection of maps, and a fine collection of globes, and a fine collection of instruments, and a fine collection of curiosities. He has a fine collection of books, and a fine collection of maps, and a fine collection of globes, and a fine collection of instruments, and a fine collection of curiosities.

THE BEST BOOKS OF PROSE AND POETRY for old and young; albums; pocket family, and devotional books; hymn and prayer-books, chronicles, writings, and a fine collection of maps, and a fine collection of globes, and a fine collection of instruments, and a fine collection of curiosities.

BEAUTIFUL ORNAMENTED CAKES at COLUMBUS'S. SWEET DISPLAY OF CANDIES at COLUMBUS'S. FINEST AND BEST of all kinds at COLUMBUS'S. HIGH QUALITY CHRISTMAS GOODS at COLUMBUS'S.

WATCHES, JEWELRY, SILVER GOODS, GOLD and silver-ware, eye-glasses, steel spectacles and eye-glasses, and a fine collection of maps, and a fine collection of globes, and a fine collection of instruments, and a fine collection of curiosities.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.—Go to MORTON'S, corner of Main and Reservoir streets, and get a living, blooming plant for a present to your wife or friends. You will see there, in wonderful profusion, arrayed by artistic hands, toys of all kinds and descriptions, and enough of them to supply every home in the city, and every school, and every public building.

REACTIFY YOUR ROOMS FOR THE HOLIDAYS. And what will add more to their adornment than a basket of beautiful cut-flowers of plants in full bloom, casting their fragrance into every nook and corner of the house? Go to MORTON'S and see his stock.

IT COSTS ABOUT AS MUCH to make a fashionable dress as it does to buy the material. So, if you use BUTTERICK'S PATTERNS and cut and make your own you can dress much more stylish for the same money than in any other way. Office Ninth and Franklin streets.

DEAR HUSBAND.—Please go to COLUMBUS'S, 321 Broad Street, to buy our Christmas goods. Go early, as all my friends say they are going to buy there, and there will be a rush. Lovingly, your wife, CATHERINE.

ONE OF OUR MOST ESTIMABLE CITIZENS may be thankful for the introduction of Dr. W. C. COOPER'S SYRUP, for its timely use has saved his life.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.—Many have been happy to give their testimony in favor of the use of "Willson's Pure Cod Liver Oil." It is a valuable remedy for Consumption, Asthma, Diphtheria, and all diseases of the throat and lungs. Manufactured only by A. B. WILSON, Chemist, Boston. Sold by druggists generally.

STYLISH, RETAILABLE, ECONOMICAL, at THE BUTTERICK PATTERNS building, Ninth and Franklin streets.

I will sell fifty cords SEASONED PINE WOOD to the poor at the low price of \$3.50 per cord, \$1.75 per half cord, and \$1 per quarter cord, and Clover Hill coal at \$2.50 per 25 bushels, delivered. H. O. GARY, No. 118 South Eighth street.

CHRISTMAS GOODS AT W. D. BLAIR & CO.'S. We are now abundantly supplied with the following seasonable goods: SCOTCH WHISKY, FRENCH BRANDIES, HOLLAND GIN, FINEST TEAS, JAMAICA RUM, APPLE BRANDY, a large assortment of imported Condiments, and a variety of old and carefully-selected Whisky at moderate prices. Ninth and Main streets.