

# IT IS KNOCKED OUT

## NO TAX BURDENS FOR BIG INCOMES.

The Usual Lengthy Opinion of Wise Men Who Cater to Long Purses and Deep Pockets—Call it Direct Taxation.

By one fell stroke the long robed living statues of wisdom and law knocked the props from under the income tax law—and great was the fall thereof. They declared it was unconstitutional, assembled in solemn court array last Monday at Washington.

All the members of the court were present, including Justice Jackson, whose presence caused a great deal of speculation and was the basis for a deal of gossip as to the possibility of some sort of surprise for the public.

The justices against the law were Chief Justice Fuller, Justices Gray, Field, Brewer and Shiras; for the law, Justices Harlan, White, Brown and Jackson.

First—We adhere to the opinion already announced that taxes on real estate being indisputably a direct tax, taxes on rents or incomes from real estate are equally direct taxes.

Second—We are of the opinion that taxes on personal property or on the income of personal property are likewise direct taxes.

Third—The tax imposed by sections 27 to 37, inclusive, of the act of 1894, so far as it falls upon the income of real estate and on personal property, being a direct tax within the meaning of the constitution, and, therefore, unconstitutional and void, because not apportioned according to representation, all these sections constituting the entire scheme of taxation are necessarily invalid. The decrees below will be reversed and the cases remanded with instructions to grant the relief prayed. Sections 27 to 37 of the tariff act of 1894, referred to in the conclusions of the court in the opinions, are sections of the act relating to the income tax, so that the entire income tax is declared void specifically.

Comment is unnecessary. We all know how the late democratic congress paralyzed American industries, threw over two million men out of employment and caused the greatest industrial panic by cutting down the tariff until the revenues of the government were seventy millions a year less than the necessary expenses. Then they sought to recoup by levying an income tax on a certain class of property holders. Then followed the decision of a month ago declaring only a portion of it unconstitutional.

The effect of Monday's decision will entitle those who have paid an income tax to recover the amounts so collected and the deficiency of the public treasury will no doubt be met by another decree from Grover for more bonds. All this nonsense has followed closely upon the heels of the repeal of the silver purchasing act by a special session called by the great administration of criminal errors, who so loudly proclaimed the removal of the only obstacle for better times.

What a burlesque when calling to mind the time, only a few short years ago, of the Unterrified howling themselves hoarse because of a surplus; and all England joined in the democratic chorus warning our taxpayers of the dangers of too much surplus.

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## FROM RICHMOND FLAT.

### A Newsy Budget of Mining and Personal Gossip.

RICHMOND FLAT, May 21.—[Special Correspondence]—The past week has been one of importance looking to the future of our camp. We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Dickinson, general manager of the N. P., Mr. J. M. Ashton and Mr. H. L. Frank, of Butte City. Their trip was of short duration, simply to take a bird's eye view of our country. After being driven around to some of the important mines, the Monitor, Revenue and Columbus, they were taken to J. H. Johnson's house and served with lunch and at 7 o'clock started for the depot at Norris, where they took their private car and went on their way rejoicing, well pleased with their visit, especially the ladies, Mrs. Dickinson and Mrs. Ashton, both of whom are very pleasant ladies and we will be more than pleased to see them back here again to enjoy the fresh, bracing air which we have the pleasure of boasting of.

Mr. W. B. Reed is pushing work ahead on the Gussie, sinking a working shaft which will intersect the vein some fifty feet deep.

The Columbus company started the first car load of ore to the smelters this week. This vein of ore is some four feet in thickness of good grade and will bear shipping. The second class will be piled up at the mine for future treatment.

Mr. Francis, manager of the Centennial Gold Mining company, spent some time at the flat yesterday. Also E. L. Johnson of the stone mill at Sterling. He has great confidence in being able to handle the ores in this section.

Mr. Dunham and Mr. Newhouse of the Revenue went to Butte on business pertaining to the future of our camp. The Revenue mill and mine is running right along, as if nothing had happened.

Mr. Knox of the Monitor company is in fine spirits and is driving ahead developing and shipping ore. His last car gave \$107 per ton. This mine talks for itself.

Mr. George B. Turner and others have laid out a townsite to be known as Richmond. They expect the map of Richmond to be ready for sale at the end of this week. LOOKER ON.

## CENTENNIAL VALLEY.

### Resigned by Cattle Buyers—Personal Mention.

MAGDALEN, May 20.—[Special Correspondence.]—Not a day passes but some one is either going or coming from West Fork mining camp.

Mr. Field, the section boss at Monida, died the fourth of this month after a sickness of a few weeks. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss.

School has commenced in the lower district with Miss Linnie Pollinger, of Sheridan, as teacher.

Miss Edith Hunter, of Twin Bridges, will teach the upper district.

Mr. Ed. Blake and Wm. Culver, returned the 6th inst. from southern Utah, where they went to buy steers for themselves and Levi Shambow. They got 385 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers.

Fred Hansen is herding the steers in the lower end of the valley till after poison then he will probably move them above the lakes.

Archie Hayden and wife have gone to Henry's Lake for a few days.

Henry Hackett, of Dillon, has moved onto the Dunham ranch to keep the road house and talks of buying the place.

Messrs. Fisher, Doltz and Decombe are building on their ranches on Odell creek.

Ed. Santell sold his steers for \$38.75 a head to a Butte butcher.

The weather is lovely and the valley looks beautiful in its robe of green; but soon the cry will be "Oh, the dreadful mosquitoes: how thick they are."

We are informed that Mr. W. D. Manley, of Pony, has located Tepee creek above the sand hills.

Sam Burnside is now having the mail carried through from Monida to Lake, Idaho, in one day and makes three trips each way a week.

Tom Clark has gone to Boise to buy steers.

James Blair and Freeman Marble have just returned from Virginia City.

Ed Blake has just returned from Virginia City where he went to prove up on some land. SUMMIT.

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## A TALE OF WOE.

### Sloppy Weather or Young Man Afraid of His Horse at Leitterville.

LEITTERVILLE, May 22.—[Special Correspondence.]—A horse was the grand prize in the Louisiana lottery or it's equivalent in cash, \$25,000. Of course, S. Weather took the animal, but made no mistake this time—for it was carefully nursed all winter, arriving in camp in splendid condition. But not being quite high-strung or sleek enough he was duly dieted on eggs for the latter and gun powder for the former. After ten days of this treatment and the most careful attention he was declared fit for royal favors. He was then led out gaily carponised and ready for mounting. Then S. Weather's eagle intellect came into play and he thought of the old saying, "try it on a dog first," so he went to an old man, who was employed on the place, and by dire threats of loosing him his job, prevailed upon the old gent to mount the horse. But the gun powder had done its devilish work and the steed laid the poor old fellow low in the creek. Then instead of S. Weather trying to alleviate the old man's suffering, he let go one of those satanic yells that echoed and re-echoed down the gulch—and the horse he simply secured for another victim. First came the fat boy who was offered two beer checks (good anywhere in the county), and from which offer he raised to five dollars, but the fat boy was fly—knowing that nothing but death would satisfy Sloppy in return for so much cash—and he declined with thanks. Next came the boss, when Mr. Weather clapped his hands with glee saying, "new I will get even with him." His gambling proclivities were exhibited by starting in to bet the boss he could not ride the horse for a fiver. The boss replied that he would ride him if Sloppy would donate the money to the Sunday school in case he won, which offer was at once accepted. The boss then asked, "sure this is no trap like robbing the Christmas fund of \$1.75?" Then the steed was stabled pending a canvas for an opportunity of selling him. Weather first tried the president of the Combination Exploration Prospecting Mining & Milling Co., Limited, but a trade was broken off by said Weather refusing to purchase a pair of pants with a part of money so received. Then O'Brien was telephoned as a possible purchaser and the steed was offered for two bottles of beer, one sarsaparilla, one of pipestone, one of soda, one cigar and three cigarettes. The offer was accepted, but on conditions that the horse should be kept until sent for. Then S. W. applied to a man with the proposition: "New you have a boy much smaller than yourself and can lick him in case he does not obey; compel him to ride my steed and I'll give you one dollar." The terms were accepted, although the boy cried and protested, but eventually rode the horse with perfect ease. Then Sloppy felt so chagrined he applied to the boss for the priviledges of practicing on the cow at one dollar per hour.

The upshot of this episode is an application on the part of the ladies of the camp to the Humane Society for the protection of old men, infants and cows.

## FENNER IS ALL RIGHT.

### As Usual, a Virginia City Boy is a Winning Contestant.

On Monday, Congressman Hartman made known his selections of the young men who are to be given the appointments as cadets at the West Point military academy and the Annapolis naval academy as follows: For West Point, Raymond H. Fenner of Virginia City; George E. Kumppe, of White Sulpher Springs, alternate. Frank W. Osterhaut, of Helena, for Annapolis; Ward Wortman, of Helena, alternate.

It will be seen from this that a Helena boy gets one of the coveted places, while another Helena boy acts as his alternate. The purpose of selecting alternates is that should Fenner fail in the government examination for West Point, and Osterhart in that for Annapolis, Kumppe and Wortman respectively will have an opportunity to take the same examination, and if successful, be admitted.

## SILVER QUESTION ABROAD.

### W. A. Clark Thinks Silver Will be a Sure Winner in 1896.

W. A. Clark has returned to Butte after a five months sojourn in Europe. To a Miner reporter he introduces his impressions of the silver question, saying:

"The progress being made by the silver cause is wonderful and the people of Montana and of all the silver producing states have reason to be hopeful. No matter where you go you find the people awakening to the need of bimetallism. The sentiment in favor of silver is very strong in all parts of Europe. The masses in nearly all of the European countries are enthusiastic supporters of the silver cause, and were it not for the great power exercised by the banking centers and their representatives in public life, all of the old world would to-day return to the double standard. In this country, where we must make the fight independent of all other powers, the gold monometallists are being driven into a corner and they know it. As a result they are preparing for a desperate fight and will leave nothing undone that may advance their unholy cause. Already they are whipping the eastern newspapers into line and the result of their organization is visible in the unprecedented activity of silver's foes in the east. Notwithstanding the great power of the influences which they command, I am confident that they will be defeated and that silver will be victorious in '96."

## THE NEW CITY.

### Which Will Be Gaylord, the Metropolitan of Madison Valley.

It is estimated by an ex-official of the Parrot company the cost of the new works at Gaylord will approximate over a million of dollars. The contract for grading the N. P. spur of the railroad was let last Saturday, also the bridge across the Jefferson river. The piling, however, to the approaches of the bridge will not be attempted until the river shall have fallen to the low water mark. A rope ferry will be constructed at once for transportation pending the bridge erection. No dam is found necessary; where the big ditch will tap the river a natural depression lower than the river bed will be utilized in diverting the water, and at which point requisite head-gates and flumes will be constructed. The vertical fall at the point of delivery is estimated over 90 feet. An excellent quality of clay is found in large deposits on the company's grounds and the manufacture of brick will be commenced at once.

All of the buildings, the town proper and the business generally will undoubtedly be located on the Madison county side of the Jefferson. Madison county will welcome the big enterprise and the b. e. is heartily congratulated in having selected a point of vantage in one of the most solid and the best managed counties of Montana.

## MADE A GREAT HIT.

### Borderland was Well Received and Appreciated in the Valley Towns.

The members of the Virginia City Amateur Dramatic association played "Borderland" to full houses last week at Twin Bridges, Sheridan and Leitterville. The engagements at each place proved an unqualified success. In a very flattering account of the entertainment the Monitor says: Miss Bessie Farrell, who represented the Millionaire Heiress, did the part to perfection, and gave to the difficult characterization of the "New York belle"—a girl, coy, diffident and always loving and true—an irresistible charm. Miss Farrell really acquitted herself in a manner so clever and full of spirit, and interest in the character she assumed as to elicit the most gratifying comments from all sides. The company were most royally entertained at Leitterville by Manager T. Benion Leitter, and each member wishes to express publicly their heartfelt appreciation of Mr. Leitter's most successful efforts in according them such a pleasant welcome.

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