

HAMLIN'S DEBT WIPED OUT

PRESIDENT BRIDGMAN RAISES THE NECESSARY \$35,000

Was Able to Do This Through the Generosity of James J. Hill Supplementing With That of Other Friends of the Institution in the Twin Cities—Dr. Bridgman's Gratitude in the Matter.

Three months ago Hamline university was burdened with a debt of \$35,000, on which it had been paying interest for five or six years. Today the institution is free from debt.

Mr. Hill's check for \$20,000, which Mr. Hill handed to President Bridgman Friday afternoon, together with \$15,000 contributed by various citizens and business firms of St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, and other places, has paid the mortgage for \$30,000 and paid an additional indebtedness of \$5,000 which the university had incurred.

Speaking of the matter yesterday, President Bridgman said: "Hamline university has experienced quite a struggle during the last five or six years. Through the hard times we have been paying \$2,000 a year interest on our indebtedness. We considered that we were doing well to hold our own."

"I regard this prompt and liberal response to our appeal for aid," said President Bridgman, "as significant. It indicates that Hamline university has friends in the Twin Cities and throughout the state who have faith in its management. I desire to express my deep gratitude to all who contributed or aided us in any way, and especially to Mr. Hill, without whose liberal gift the debt could not have been raised."

STATE UNIVERSITY NOTES.

The dramatic club met Friday and elected its officers for next year. The S. C. A. held its last meeting for the year. There are about fifteen students left at the farm who are attending classes in the scientific course at the academic school.

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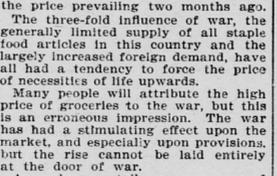
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fully, if not more, than 25 per cent over the price prevailing two months ago. The three-fold influence of war, the generally limited supply of all staple food articles in this country and the largely increased foreign demand, have all had a tendency to force the price of necessities up.

WAR TAXES OF UNCLE SAM

INTERNAL TAXATION DURING THE CIVIL WAR

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and it will not be out of place to re-consider some of the details of the operations of the earlier law, those relating to stamps of writing as to excise duties of public finance that a small duty on acts or commercial dealings is a fruitful source of revenue, and is easily collected through the mechanism of stamps, either adhesive, to be attached to the document or taxed object, or already printed upon a form to be used.

WAGE-EARNERS' CONCERT

To Assist the Red Cross Society in Their Noble Work.

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Budget of State Cases to Come Up There.

Assistant Attorney General Edgerton and Executive Agent Fullerton left last night for Roseau, Minn., where they will prosecute several offenders against the laws of the state.

WHAT THEY ALL COST.

State Institutions File Their Expense Statements.

Table listing expenses for various state institutions like University of Minnesota, Support station, Crookston, etc.

ABOUT DEWEY.

We don't do a think to the Spaniards. Oh, we don't! Did we, Dewey? And we won't say a thing when Dewey comes.

APRONS AND NECKTIES.

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Railway Restaurants in Sweden. In Sweden the railway stations where meals are served are known by the picture of a crossed knife and fork opposite the name of the station.

Frog Has Eighty Teeth. The common English frog possesses eighty teeth.

They Are With Us Now. The universally acknowledged fact. Our prices—the lowest—have resulted in a wonderful increase in our business. Last month was the largest in our history.

Table listing furniture and household supplies with prices: Steel Range, high shelves, \$19.75; Baby Carriages, 3.75; Gasoline Stoves, two-burner, 2.75; etc.

Wallblom Furniture & Carpet Co.

400, 402, 404, 406 Jackson Street, St. Paul, Minn.

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purpose in the war times a generation ago. The first measure of internal taxation adopted by congress after the outbreak of the Civil war became a law Aug. 5, 1861. For nearly five years the efforts of the legislature were directed to increase the returns from internal imposts by finding new objects of taxation, or by modifying existing rates for revenue ends.

Stamps for Everything. Only in the first few months of the system were the accounts so kept as to show the specific distribution of the revenue among the different objects taxed. After that, the accounts were combined, so as to show the total amount received under the two schedules of stamp duties, including as well written instruments, as matches, photographs, cards and proprietary articles.

Great Revenue Secured. In less than five years the revenue obtained from these taxes reached the sum of \$310,906,984—more than twice as much as was collected under the internal revenue system of 1857, when only a few of the duties remained in force.

It is to a part of the war scheme that Mr. Dingley proposes to return, and it will not be out of place to re-consider some of the details of the operations of the earlier law, those relating to stamps of writing as to excise duties of public finance that a small duty on acts or commercial dealings is a fruitful source of revenue, and is easily collected through the mechanism of stamps, either adhesive, to be attached to the document or taxed object, or already printed upon a form to be used.

washing of cancelled stamps, and even the repeated use of stamps, although they clearly bore the marks of two or more cancellations. In evidence of some frauds, it was pointed out that the revenue from stamps was \$15,239,182 in 1867, and only \$14,946,613 in 1868. There was a full recovery in 1869, when \$15,505,492 was obtained, but Mr. David A. Wells, then special commissioner of the revenue, thought the increase in revenue from stamps ought to be at least \$25,000,000 a year. The new regulation requiring all stamps to be so placed on the instrument of writing as to exhibit the entire face of the stamp was thought to have produced an additional income of \$1,000,000, as it put a stop to a practice of covering the supposed half of one stamp by the attachment of another, when in fact the stamp was cut in two, and one half used to represent a full stamp on another instrument.

Repeal of Stamp Duties. The revenue from stamps reached its highest mark in 1869, and, beginning with that year, it began to decline. The first real exemption was that on receipts, and the act of June, 1872, repealed the documentary stamp duties under Schedule B (which did not include proprietary articles and matches), except that of 10 cents on bank checks, drafts or orders. These changes reduced the revenue from stamps by one-half for the sum collected in 1872 was \$15,296,471, and in 1873 only \$7,130,933. This amount was not again reached until 1880, and the total collected never passed \$7,570,000 in any one year before the repeal of the remaining stamp duties in 1883. Nearly one-half the income obtained in 1882 (\$7,669,180) came from matches (\$3,272,256), and another large item was obtained from bank checks (\$2,818,456). Proprietary medicines made up the balance (\$2,168,238). In these latter figures the commissions are included. It was in 1872 that stamp duties gave the largest proportion of internal revenue, 11.5 per cent of the total, and from that year to the repeal of the last stamp duties they gave about one-twentieth of the total internal revenue.

Private Killed. JACKSON, Miss., May 14.—James Parker, a private in the First volunteers, was killed by a train on the Illinois Central last night. He has relatives living in New Orleans.

THE SONG OF THE BATTLESHIP.

(With Acknowledgments to Mr. Kipling's Banjo.) You can speed a cruiser out of range of shot; A torpedo under in the turret and on deck; The gunboats hug the harbor near the forts; And pet them with a heavy iron rain; I put right out to sea and over the light; I lead the squadron where there's hell to pay; And when a hostile navy comes in sight; You should see me get my heavy guns in play.

With my booming, booming, booming, banging-ing guns! Oh, the rattling rapid fire in the tops! So we sink the little monster as she runs; Or blow her into pieces ere she's done; When I take the open ocean for a fight; When my steel-dressed sides are painted solid black; When my nation's hostile warships come in sight; And we settle which shall sink and which come back and which shall sink and which come back; Oh, the angry roar of mighty rifle guns! Oh, the turret thunderbolts that shake the keel; When the shells screech with a flying weight that stuns; And swells the shot rip through the tempered steel.

With my booming, booming, booming, banging-ing guns! I am Justice; I am Vengeance for the weak—Mines and shadman's mines in one; I am Fate, and naught escapes me that I seek.

When Diplomacy has argued to its end; When an ultimatum doesn't do the work; I'm the Prophet which the God of Nations sends; When it's time for something sadder than talk; Then I fill my grimy bunkers fore and aft; I cram my magazines with powder to the tops; I have thirteen-hundred preservers; I'm the craft that does the work; I have the letter-writing stops.

With my booming, booming, booming, banging-ing guns! I can argue with the strongest foe that floats—An ambassador of twice five thousand tons; A diplomat with armor-piercing notes; When the nations are at peace through all the world; When they celebrate a ruler's holiday; When ships are trimmed and battle flags are furled; When the fighting squadron takes a time for play; Then I speed my loaded cutters toward the town; Oh, how I mark that fighting sailors have ashore! So I bank my fires; let my anchor down; I forget my signals and the joy of war.

Oh, my booming, booming, booming, banging-ing guns! In battle time they always speak for peace; I'm the sign of the Millennium; How'er the flag flies; I'm the voice of Nations, telling war to cease. —Luther B. Little, in New York Sun.