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THE SIXTEENTH AMENDMENT

THE income tax amendment to the Constitution of the United States having been ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the States, is now a part and parcel of that historic document. It is the sixteenth amendment to the Constitution, and the first added since 1870. Another will probably be adopted within the next two years, this being an amendment providing for the election of United States Senators directly by the vote of the people. Both are distinctly progressive measures, and are the result of long and patient work for popular government.

The income tax amendment has occupied the attention of the people of the United States for the past twenty-five years. A law providing for the levying of an income tax was passed during Cleveland's second term, only to be declared unconstitutional by the United States Supreme Court, by a bare majority of that body. Indeed, it was charged at the time, and it has been repeated many times since, that Judge Shiras changed his opinion overnight, when it was found that with it the constitutionality of the law would be upheld.

It is estimated that the operation of the law will produce a revenue of one hundred millions dollars—a tidy sum that will come from those who have and are much better able to spare than the people upon whom the heaviest burdens of taxation now fall. In other words, the rich will be compelled to contribute directly to the national treasury, while the tariff tax will be lifted to some extent from the shoulders of the great mass of people.

The prolonged fight against the adoption of an income tax has been waged by entrenched wealth, and it is only within the last few years that public opinion became sufficiently aroused to force the passage of the proposed amendment by the Congress, and compel its ratification by the requisite number of States.

A DETHRONED KING.

A HOBO is popularly supposed to be always on the alert for a few dollars, if he can get it by the process known as "panhandling." But here is a national convention of so-called weary Willies, who have repudiated a hobo millionaire, or a millionaire hobo, which you will. The Empire's dispatches say that his hobo comrades deposed him from the presidency of their organization and ejected him from their meeting. The lot of a hobo seems not to be a happy one, whether he be a millionaire like Mr. How, or the simulacrum of one like the veriest Dusty Roads.

James Eads How is an eccentric individual who every once in a while has broken into print through his associations with the "submerged tenth." Every winter in New York City he has foregathered with the poor "down-and-outs" there to be found in large numbers. But it has been alleged that his benefactions toward their uplift consisted largely in organizing the hoboes and in giving them brotherly advice, instead of satisfying the cravings of empty stomachs. However, occasionally he provided a dinner, always being sure that the newspapers were duly apprised of the affair and had representatives on hand to exploit it. "King of the Hoboes," he was called, but now, alack, he has lost his title and there is no hobo so poor as to do him reverence.

THE NEW IMMIGRATION LAW

THE principal changes in the immigration law, embodied in the new immigration bill, in addition to the literacy test, are these: An increase in the immigrant head tax from \$4 to \$5. Exclusion of aliens not eligible for naturalization, a clause which promises to bring considerable trouble in the near future. Adoption of a literacy test. Making it permissible for the secretary of commerce and labor to decide in advance the matter of the necessity for the importation of skilled contract labor. Providing heavier penalties for the violation of the law on the part of transportation companies. Providing machinery to compel the attendance of witnesses before the immigration authorities. Providing for the deportation of aliens who become criminals three years subsequent to their entry. Providing against the illegal entry of criminals and stowaways. Permitting aliens to be represented by counsel on appeals. Providing for matrons, inspectors and surgeons on immigrant ships. Providing experts on insanity in the large ports of entry. A new definition of the word "alien" where it appears in the law.

This law is of more than passing interest to the people of the Pacific Coast and Alaska from the fact that with the opening of the Panama Canal, we will be brought more directly in contact with the immigration problem. Hitherto New York has been the great port of entry for immigration, but with the opening of the canal to commerce, direct steamship lines from European countries will furnish other avenues of entrance, and chief among them will be Seattle and San Francisco.

THE DOWNFALL OF TURKEY

THE Turkish army is seething with revolt, we are told, because of the assassination of Nazim Pasha, its commander-in-chief. But the real reason is deeper. It is because of the submission of Turkey to the terms of the powers, which, however, it has been unable to conclude, because delay is required to reconcile the Turkish people to the inevitable. The fall of the Turkish Cabinet because of its willingness to arrange terms of peace with the Balkan allies was in line with recent precedents. No Ministry can expect to survive the outbursts of popular indignation if it fails in war. No Cabinet can hope for popular gratitude when it submits under duress to humiliating conditions of peace. It was not only Napoleon's Ministry, but his Empire that collapsed after Sedan. Turkey's army may seethe

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with revolt, a turbulent populace that protests in the streets against peace may frighten Ministers into resigning, but they cannot give battle to victorious armies. If Turkey does not yield much territory now it must yield more later.

Alaska News Notes

Frank Carroll, a demented woodcutter, is missing at Beaver City, in the Yukon country.

John L. Timmins is in Fairbanks with a plan to establish a central power plant for miners and others requiring electrical power. Mr. Timmins claims to have unlimited financial backing composed of New York and London capitalists.

Charles T. Moore, a former resident of Skagway, committed suicide recently by throwing himself off the cliff at Land's End, a rugged headland near the Cliff House, San Francisco.

A pair of blooming pansies, grown outdoors, and blossoming since the recent warm rains, were picked in the garden of Mrs. L. S. Keller, on Jan. 29, according to the Skagway Alaskan.

Louise Jacquot, of Klauane, has 25 head of horses wintering in that country. He cuts plenty of wild grass to furnish hay for his stock during the winter.

Garfield Thompson, a native of Ohio, 36 years old, attempted to suicide at Ketchikan, while temporarily insane, by stabbing himself with a pen-knife.

The Alaska Packers' Association put up 1,202,779 cases of salmon, and 8,588 barrels of salt salmon last year. The A. P. A. operates fourteen canneries in Alaska and one at Semiahmoo, Wash.

C. F. Austin, the Iditarod manager of the Guggenheims, who was in Fairbanks recently, refused to discuss the future plans which his company has in mind.

National Bank Examiner Proctor recently completed the examination of the affairs of the First National bank, of Fairbanks, and reports the bank's business to be in good condition and the management to be very conservative.

Up to Christmas the weather at Pt. Hope on the Arctic Ocean, has been the mildest ever known in that region.

Isadore and Sam Bayless, both well known Alaskans, will open a department store in Iditarod next spring.

Nome has 139 white children, which were born in that town.

Alaska has 200 varieties of fish having a commercial value.

T. W. Gaffney and Frank A. Aldrich, representatives-elect from the Second Division, who are members of the Nome Miners' Union, were banqueted by organized labor the night before their departure for Juneau.

The Newsboy mill, in the Fairbanks district, is still pounding away on good ore from its own mine, but as there may not be enough rock on hand to keep it busy, the mill will probably be used as a customs mill by nearby quartz prospectors. Hudson Bros. expect to start their mill on Ester within a month.

It is reported in Tanana that the output from the Indian river district, Koyukuk, last year, amounted to \$30,000—as compared with \$13,000 last season.

While dog-racing as a sport has never been very popular in Fairbanks, dog fanciers are trying to arrange a series of races. There are several crack teams in the Fairbanks district, and good sport is expected.

RAY BEAT BALDWIN BY 118 VOTES

The returns from all precincts of the Third Division have been received and tabulated at Valdez. The successful contestants received the following vote:
For Senator—B. F. Millard, 887; L. V. Ray 910, the latter defeating Geo. E. Baldwin by 118 votes.
For Representative—H. B. Ingram, 856; R. D. Gray, 902, Milo Kelly, 1,055; F. M. Boyle, 793.

BIG CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAMPAIGNS UNDER BAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—A drastic bill to prohibit corporations from making contributions in connection with political elections was passed by the Senate today. It also limits the amount that may be donated by individuals.

A special clause makes it unlawful for any national bank or other corporation organized by authority of law to "contribute any money or other thing of value in connection with any convention, primary or other election for the nomination or election of any person to any political office."

It is provided in another clause that it shall be "unlawful for any corporation whatever to contribute any money or other thing of value in connection with the nomination of electors for President and Vice-President, or the nomination of President, Vice-President, Senator or Representative in Congress."

The penalty is a fine not exceeding \$5,000. Every director, officer or agent who consents to the contribution of a corporation in violation of the act shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

No individual must contribute more than \$5,000 unless he be a candidate for President, Vice-President, Senator or Representative. Any individual making a contribution in violation of this stipulation is liable to a fine of not more than \$10,000, imprisonment of two years or both fine and imprisonment.

The bill now goes to the House.

A three-story, concrete building will be erected at once by the Tongass Trading Company, at Ketchikan.

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Leaves Juneau for Funter and Chatham, 8:00 a. m.—Nov. 17, Dec. 11, Jan. 4, 28, Feb. 21, March 17.

Leaves Juneau for Tyee, 8:00 a. m.—Nov. 23, Dec. 23, Jan. 22, Feb. 21, March 23.

Juneau-Skagway Route—Leaves Juneau for Pearl Harbor, Eagle River, Yankee Cove, Sentinel Light Station, Juallin, Eldred Rock Light Station, Comet, Haines, Skagway, 5:00 a. m.—Nov. 3, 9, 15, 21, 27, Dec. 3, 9, 15, 21, 27, Jan. 2, 8, 14, 20, 26, Feb. 1, 7, 13, 19, 25, March 3, 9, 15, 21, 27.

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Leaves Juneau for Douglas and Treadwell	Leaves Treadwell for Juneau	Leaves Douglas for Juneau	Leaves Juneau daily for Sheep Creek	From Juneau for Sheep Creek Saturday Night Only
8:00 a. m.	8:25 a. m.	8:30 a. m.	11:00 a. m.	11:00 p. m.
9:00 a. m.	9:25 a. m.	9:30 a. m.	4:30 p. m.	for Juneau Returning Leaves Sheep Creek 11:40 p. m.
11:00 a. m.	12:00 noon	12:05 p. m.	Leaves Sheep Creek for Juneau 11:40 a. m.	Leaves Treadwell 11:45 p. m.
1:00 p. m.	1:40 p. m.	1:45 p. m.	11:40 a. m.	Leaves Douglas 11:50 p. m.
3:00 p. m.	3:25 p. m.	3:30 p. m.	5:10 p. m.	
4:30 p. m.	4:55 p. m.	5:30 p. m.		
6:30 p. m.	6:55 p. m.	7:05 p. m.		
8:00 p. m.	8:25 p. m.	8:30 p. m.		
9:00 p. m.	9:25 p. m.	9:30 p. m.		
11:00 p. m.	11:25 p. m.	11:30 p. m.		

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