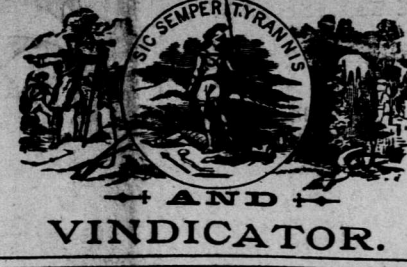


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### The Commissioner of Valuation Bill Ably Defended.

## IS DEMOCRATIC DOCTRINE.

### So Declares Ex-Senator Mushbach.

of Alexandria—If Enforced It Will Catch the Tax Dodgers and Reduce Taxes on Real Estate.

Ex-Senator Geo. A. Mushbach, of Alexandria, publishes in the Gazette of that city the following article in defense of the commissioners of valuation bill. Hear him:

So far as the commissioners of valuation bill is concerned, I approve of it most heartily. It is directly in the line of the just policy of compelling the personally tax dodger to take upon his shoulders his proper proportion of the burden of taxation. If he could be made to do so the rate of tax on houses and lands could be reduced more than 50 per cent. Real estate carries vastly more than its fair share of the burden, because it lies in the full glare of the sun, visible to the naked eye of the assessor and the collector, and cannot be hidden; but incomes, stocks, bonds, and the bulk of personal property lie concealed between the leaves of calf-bound ledgers or in coat pockets and safe-deposit vaults where the vision of the tax-gatherer never penetrates. How many people in the city of Alexandria today make even a pretense of reporting any taxable income whatever? Let the books of the commissioner of the revenue answer, or I will if I feel called upon to do it. The answer would dumfound the town because of the ridiculously small number who have owned up.

The bill is a righteous one, it is a necessary one, and it is a Democratic one. We all remember (or have we forgotten?) the howl that pierced the skies from Democratic throats when the partition U. S. Supreme Court a few short years ago nullified the income tax law, and we also remember (or have we forgotten?) how that great party when it met in convention in Chicago on July 7th, 1896, adopted the following as a portion of its platform of principles:

"Until the money question is settled we are opposed to any agitation for further changes in our tariff laws, except such as are necessary to make up the deficit in revenue caused by the adverse decision of the Supreme Court on the income tax. But for this decision of the Supreme Court there would be no deficit in the revenue under the laws passed by a Democratic Congress in strict pursuance of the uniform decision of that court for one hundred years, that court having sustained constitutional objections to its enactment, which have been overruled by the ablest judges who ever sat on that bench. We declare that it is the duty of Congress to use all the constitutional power which remains after that decision, or which may come from its reversal by the court as it may hereafter be constituted, so that the burdens of taxation may be equally and impartially laid, to the end that wealth may bear its due proportion of the expenses of the government."

Is it possible that our then advocacy of an income tax was based on no holier or loftier thought than that the chief sufferers under what we are now pleased to term its iniquitous propositions would be the rich Republicans of the North, and that our opposition to it is because it catches our prosperous Virginia Democrats? Perish the ignominious thought! If the principle of taxation of secret incomes in the United States was right in A. D. 1896, when we all voted for it, it is right in Virginia in A. D. 1900, and no one can gainsay that statement. The question as to whose ox is gored does not vary the principle.

But, it is said, the application of the law is inequitable and it is forcible in its operations and it creates a horde of officeholders. Granted; but why is it that the application of a little of the rack-and-thumb-screw method of getting at your taxable incomes and personally and the employment of this horde of officeholders is necessary and unavoidable? Simply because of the criminal and unpatriotic and unfair-to-your-neighbor concealment of and refusal to report the property which you possess, and which is just as surely taxable as is your neighbor's modest little dwelling which, unfortunately for him, has the quality of being visible.

Try for a novelty the plan of making a fair report of your income and stocks and bonds, etc.; be honest from principle and not from compulsion, and this horde of inequitable officeholders will pass away as fit the shade across the summer field. They would be as unnecessary as a policeman in heaven.

Of course this measure is unpopular in certain quarters. Any measure designed to secure equality, equity and uniformity in the obligation to pay taxes and to bring to book those who have enjoyed immunity in the past, must be so.

Its kindred measure, the so-called "land-grabber" law, (in the preparation of which I am proud to admit I assisted as one of a sub-committee), met with a storm of opposition from those who for years had considered not their tax bills because they knew that the then existing laws were insufficient to compel them to pay, yet that law, despite all assaults, stands today recognized as a just and reasonable one.

## Death of Captain Patterson.

Captain B. G. Patterson, one of the members of the House of Delegates from Rockingham county, died at the Retreat for the Sick in Richmond on Thursday morning of last week. He was taken down with pneumonia two days previous, but his condition was not regarded as serious until during Wednesday night. Miss Willie Patterson, one of the daughters of the legislator, arrived in Richmond just one hour after her father died, and the body was sent to Harrisonburg that evening.

Capt. Patterson was 69 years of age. He was a native of this county, but most of his life was spent at Harrisonburg. During the war he served on the staff of the gallant "Jeb" Stuart, the celebrated cavalry officer. He was a lawyer of extensive practice, and for several years was the partner of ex-Governor O'Ferrall. He was largely interested in various enterprises, especially the Valley Turnpike, of which company he was president. He leaves a widow and nine children. The funeral took place in Harrisonburg last Saturday and was largely attended. Rev. R. C. Gilmore, of this city, assisted in conducting the service.

Capt. Patterson served in the House for a few sessions ago and was sent back last fall. He was a man who did not mix much with his fellow-members and consequently was intimately known to a very few. He was of a retiring disposition. Those who knew him best say he was a man of many noble qualities of head and heart.

This is the fourth death that has occurred among the law-makers since the Legislature convened in December. Those who preceded Capt. Patterson to the grave were Senator Charles E. McCorkle, Delegates M. S. Newberry and J. W. Ellis. Delegates Barclay and Waring are now very ill, and fully a score of the senators and delegates lie sick beds when they returned to their homes.

It is supposed that the poor ventilation of the Capitol building has had much to do with the numerous cases of sickness and deaths.

## Ninety-Eight Per Cent.

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The State Board of Fisheries will hold its annual session in Norfolk on the 4th day of April, and the various oyster inspectors will be elected for a term of two years from May 1; also, the captains of the police steamers and vessels for such term as the board may decide.

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## CRAIGSVILLE DOTS.

### Further Particulars Regarding the New Industries There.

## IMPROVEMENT IN ROADS.

### The Empire Steel and Iron Company Working a Large Force in Their Limestone Quarry—Other Items of Interest.

Craigsville, March 13.—Since my last letter from this place a month ago, marked progress has been made at the big Cement Works. From the car windows in passing, the change was very perceptible and when I visited the works its recent progress was even more apparent. Every building save the big ware room is now under roof, the latter not having yet raised its side walls. A great deal of brick and carpenter work has been accomplished, and a vast amount of concrete foundations raised. On these much of the heavy machinery has already been mounted, including a 150-horse power engine for the electric dynamo that will furnish both light and power to the plant. Much additional railway track has been laid, and the commissary and company's office buildings are well advanced. All this has been accomplished during the worst month of winter weather we have had. With spring now at hand and open weather, Manager Lewis intends to push the work vigorously to an early completion. I was much impressed with the order and systematic smoothness with which the various shifts of men moved about in the several departments of labor.

Another matter of interest that I failed to mention in my former letter, and by the way a very considerable industry, is the limestone quarries operated here by the Empire Steel and Iron Co. This company owns seven furnaces, two of them in this State, one at Shenandoah, the other at Goshen. The lime-stone quarried in such large quantities here is shipped to the latter furnace, just 13 miles west of here, where it is used for fluxing purposes. The quarry lies just east of the hills. Faces the sound of blast and fall of rock is heard throughout the day. A side track from the C. & O. road runs in a train of empty cars every day and pulls out a loaded one. Two hundred and twenty-five tons is the daily shipment and its output gives employment to a large force of men. Mr. J. W. White, an Ohioan, is in charge of the work and a very courteous and capable man. In the slang parlance of the day, he is called "a hustler," but his men all like him and so do the people in the community.

Craigsville is about to have a new county road. It is to run from the main road through the new town of Portland to the highlands above the river and from there along the sides of the hill country 2½ miles to Wallace's mill and the Rockbridge line. The route along the river as at present is to be abandoned. Surveyor McCutchan has staked off the route and the right of way has been secured. The Supervisors have been petitioned for a sufficient appropriation to improve the entire road from Buffalo Gap to this place and for the building of the new road from here as above described. The new road is a foregone conclusion and it is expected construction work will begin by the first of April. This is a long needed improvement and will, when completed, be of much service to a great many property owners.

The Messrs. Dinkie, of Valley Mills, having bought the Lewis Robertson place near here, moved in last week and will make this their future home. J. W. Webb, who formerly rented the place, has located in Rockbridge, near Bell's Valley.

An Odd Fellows lodge was instituted here Friday night with forty members.

J. B. Miller is erecting a new stable in the rear of his house.

H. H. Bennett was away on business several days; last week, in the eastern part of the county.

W. H. McCutchan, near Estaline, is and has been for some time, quite ill. J. D. Youell, an aged gentleman living on the Pond Gap road near here, is ill from a complication of diseases.

## HARRISON FOR THE BOERS.

### Ex-President's Sympathy Goes Out to the Imperiled Republics.

A special to the New York World from Anburn, Ind., says:

"Ex-President Harrison has been interviewed by many public men of Indiana in regard to the Boer-British war, and he minces no words in expressing his sympathy for the Boers, although he persistently refuses to be publicly quoted, lest his words embarrass the McKinley administration."

"Gen. Harrison contends there is no occasion for gratitude on the part of this government toward the British. He thinks the British were guilty of inhuman practices during the Revolutionary war, and that their attack on this nation in 1812 had no justification from any international standpoint, while their conduct toward the Union during the civil war was also reprehensible."

"He sees no occasion for enthusiasm over the friendship of the English during the war with Spain, as it was a war against cruelty and clearly for humanity. There was no reason why the British or any other enlightened nation should not have been with America on this proposition."

"If the British were suppressing cruelty in South Africa or remedying conditions that interfered with human government, the United States would be justified in lending its sympathy. On the contrary, Gen. Harrison thinks, here is a republic fighting for its home and its own government, a cause as just as the Americans had in their great war of the eighteenth century."

General Harrison's position on this, as well as the Porto Rico tariff bill and many other public questions has started a boom for the ex-president that many predict disastrously to the plans of Mark Hanna and his followers.

## BRIDGEWATER PARAGRAPHS.

Ed. Hughes returned Wednesday evening from Covington.

Lee Hammer went to Basic City on business Wednesday.

Col. A. S. Fulton, of Mt. Meridian, was in town last Friday morning.

Henry L. Laug, of Staunton, was in Bridgewater Monday. He has just returned from a trip to Cuba.

H. H. White, having recovered from his sickness, went to Waynesboro and resumed work on Wednesday.

Ernest Lambert, of Laurel Hill, Augusta county, is on a visit here to his sister, Mrs. Joel Thomas.

Geo. W. Bricker and wife returned home Wednesday from East Radford, where they have been visiting their sons, Frank and William, for a short time.

R. F. Dull, of this place, and E. B. Coates, of Harrisonburg, went to Staunton Tuesday on business connected with their acetylene gas machine and fruit-tree-sprayer patents.—The Herald.

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It is probable an extra session of the Legislature will be held in June to consider the constitutional convention, if the people at the polls in May vote that it be held, and some acts by the late Legislature may be repealed.

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