

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Repre

It is proper for me here to call your attention to the fact that under a recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, national banks are not subject to State taxation; while the property of railroad companies, municipalities and all other corporations will be embraced in your general tax bill.

It is, however, your attention to Article 9 of the Constitution, which provides that "The General Assembly shall provide by law for a uniform and equal rate of assessment and taxation," and "the value of counties, cities, towns, &c., and authorizes them to assess and collect taxes for corporate purposes. The assessed value of the real estate of South Carolina in 1890, was \$1,000,000,000; in 1891, \$1,000,000,000; in 1892, \$1,000,000,000; in 1893, \$1,000,000,000; in 1894, \$1,000,000,000; in 1895, \$1,000,000,000; in 1896, \$1,000,000,000; in 1897, \$1,000,000,000; in 1898, \$1,000,000,000; in 1899, \$1,000,000,000; in 1900, \$1,000,000,000; in 1901, \$1,000,000,000; in 1902, \$1,000,000,000; in 1903, \$1,000,000,000; in 1904, \$1,000,000,000; in 1905, \$1,000,000,000; in 1906, \$1,000,000,000; in 1907, \$1,000,000,000; in 1908, \$1,000,000,000; in 1909, \$1,000,000,000; in 1910, \$1,000,000,000; in 1911, \$1,000,000,000; in 1912, \$1,000,000,000; in 1913, \$1,000,000,000; in 1914, \$1,000,000,000; in 1915, \$1,000,000,000; in 1916, \$1,000,000,000; in 1917, \$1,000,000,000; in 1918, \$1,000,000,000; in 1919, \$1,000,000,000; in 1920, \$1,000,000,000; in 1921, \$1,000,000,000; in 1922, \$1,000,000,000; in 1923, \$1,000,000,000; in 1924, \$1,000,000,000; in 1925, \$1,000,000,000; in 1926, \$1,000,000,000; in 1927, \$1,000,000,000; in 1928, \$1,000,000,000; in 1929, \$1,000,000,000; in 1930, \$1,000,000,000; in 1931, \$1,000,000,000; in 1932, \$1,000,000,000; in 1933, \$1,000,000,000; in 1934, \$1,000,000,000; in 1935, \$1,000,000,000; in 1936, \$1,000,000,000; in 1937, \$1,000,000,000; in 1938, \$1,000,000,000; in 1939, \$1,000,000,000; in 1940, \$1,000,000,000; in 1941, \$1,000,000,000; in 1942, \$1,000,000,000; in 1943, \$1,000,000,000; in 1944, \$1,000,000,000; in 1945, \$1,000,000,000; in 1946, \$1,000,000,000; in 1947, \$1,000,000,000; in 1948, \$1,000,000,000; in 1949, \$1,000,000,000; in 1950, \$1,000,000,000; in 1951, \$1,000,000,000; in 1952, \$1,000,000,000; in 1953, \$1,000,000,000; in 1954, \$1,000,000,000; in 1955, \$1,000,000,000; in 1956, \$1,000,000,000; in 1957, \$1,000,000,000; in 1958, \$1,000,000,000; in 1959, \$1,000,000,000; in 1960, \$1,000,000,000; in 1961, \$1,000,000,000; in 1962, \$1,000,000,000; in 1963, \$1,000,000,000; in 1964, \$1,000,000,000; in 1965, \$1,000,000,000; in 1966, \$1,000,000,000; in 1967, \$1,000,000,000; in 1968, \$1,000,000,000; in 1969, \$1,000,000,000; in 1970, \$1,000,000,000; in 1971, \$1,000,000,000; in 1972, \$1,000,000,000; in 1973, \$1,000,000,000; in 1974, \$1,000,000,000; in 1975, \$1,000,000,000; in 1976, \$1,000,000,000; in 1977, \$1,000,000,000; in 1978, \$1,000,000,000; in 1979, \$1,000,000,000; in 1980, \$1,000,000,000; in 1981, \$1,000,000,000; in 1982, \$1,000,000,000; in 1983, \$1,000,000,000; in 1984, \$1,000,000,000; in 1985, \$1,000,000,000; in 1986, \$1,000,000,000; in 1987, \$1,000,000,000; in 1988, \$1,000,000,000; in 1989, \$1,000,000,000; in 1990, \$1,000,000,000; in 1991, \$1,000,000,000; in 1992, \$1,000,000,000; in 1993, \$1,000,000,000; in 1994, \$1,000,000,000; in 1995, \$1,000,000,000; in 1996, \$1,000,000,000; in 1997, \$1,000,000,000; in 1998, \$1,000,000,000; in 1999, \$1,000,000,000; in 2000, \$1,000,000,000; in 2001, \$1,000,000,000; in 2002, \$1,000,000,000; in 2003, \$1,000,000,000; in 2004, \$1,000,000,000; in 2005, \$1,000,000,000; in 2006, \$1,000,000,000; in 2007, \$1,000,000,000; in 2008, \$1,000,000,000; in 2009, \$1,000,000,000; in 2010, \$1,000,000,000; in 2011, \$1,000,000,000; in 2012, \$1,000,000,000; in 2013, \$1,000,000,000; in 2014, \$1,000,000,000; in 2015, \$1,000,000,000; in 2016, \$1,000,000,000; in 2017, \$1,000,000,000; in 2018, \$1,000,000,000; in 2019, \$1,000,000,000; in 2020, \$1,000,000,000; in 2021, \$1,000,000,000; in 2022, \$1,000,000,000; in 2023, \$1,000,000,000; in 2024, \$1,000,000,000; in 2025, \$1,000,000,000; in 2026, \$1,000,000,000; in 2027, \$1,000,000,000; in 2028, \$1,000,000,000; in 2029, \$1,000,000,000; in 2030, \$1,000,000,000; in 2031, \$1,000,000,000; in 2032, \$1,000,000,000; in 2033, \$1,000,000,000; in 2034, \$1,000,000,000; in 2035, \$1,000,000,000; in 2036, \$1,000,000,000; in 2037, \$1,000,000,000; in 2038, \$1,000,000,000; in 2039, \$1,000,000,000; in 2040, \$1,000,000,000; in 2041, \$1,000,000,000; in 2042, \$1,000,000,000; in 2043, \$1,000,000,000; in 2044, \$1,000,000,000; in 2045, \$1,000,000,000; in 2046, \$1,000,000,000; in 2047, \$1,000,000,000; in 2048, \$1,000,000,000; in 2049, \$1,000,000,000; in 2050, \$1,000,000,000; in 2051, \$1,000,000,000; in 2052, \$1,000,000,000; in 2053, \$1,000,000,000; in 2054, \$1,000,000,000; in 2055, \$1,000,000,000; in 2056, \$1,000,000,000; in 2057, \$1,000,000,000; in 2058, \$1,000,000,000; in 2059, \$1,000,000,000; in 2060, \$1,000,000,000; in 2061, \$1,000,000,000; in 2062, \$1,000,000,000; in 2063, \$1,000,000,000; in 2064, \$1,000,000,000; in 2065, \$1,000,000,000; in 2066, \$1,000,000,000; in 2067, \$1,000,000,000; in 2068, \$1,000,000,000; in 2069, \$1,000,000,0

shuttered, and justly marked the nation's horror of those who, having been the stunted leaders of the people, had led them to no noble goal. Again, the franchise was a privilege of the few. Yet the continuance of such disfranchisement would be an anomaly under a Republican system, based upon the doctrine of universal suffrage. Let us hope that such an act of magnanimity would be extended to the disfranchised, while to deny it would tend to make them objects of sympathy, and will be, as it were, to keep a knife sticking in an open wound.

EDUCATION.

Civil liberty and the education of the masses are inseparable. The safety of a free State rests upon the virtue and intelligence of the people, and it cannot preserve the one without cultivating the other. All republics of which history makes mention owed their decline and fall to the corruption of the people; who, having become unmindful of their rights and duties through ignorance, became the prey of demagogues, who, in turn, were the prey of tyrants, where the humblest citizen, if worthy of well qualified, may aspire to the station of

than five (5) per cent. interest, and the establishment of at least one college, where the leading object shall be, without excluding scientific and classical studies, or military tactics, to teach such subjects as are related to agriculture, and the mechanic arts.

I would also invite your attention to the report of the Congress of 1864, donating five hundred thousand (600,000) acres of public land to the State in which the college is to be located. We have, under the authority of Congress, applied that donation to educational purposes, and I suggest that you memorialize Congress to extend the same privilege to this State.

THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND EMIGRATION.

A celebrated statesman has observed that "agricultural feed is the great measure of a nation's wealth; without it we could not have manufactures, and we should not have commerce; they will stand together, but they will stand apart; either like pillars, the largest in the centre, and the others leaning against it, or like the ribs of a ship, the life of a nation—their very existence, depending upon the annual production of its centre." In view of the vital importance of this subject, I have the honor to call your attention

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I invite your attention to the condition of
 the State House. The State is at present
 unable to complete it in accordance with its

and tennants, &c. It will prevent
disturbance and inconvenience to
the owners of these orders
inasmuch as they can be substituted by
the same laws. Indeed, the Supreme Court of
the United States has decided more than once
that the Congress has the right to
suspend the government of any domain
acquired by conquest, continue in force per se
the laws, until formally repealed by the regularly
elected civil government. The decisions to
this effect, and the reasons therefor, are
those of Eugene Leitsendorfer and Joab
Leitch, plaintiffs in error vs. James J.
Croes vs. Harrison, 21st
October, page 68 of the former of the
above mentioned cases. The writ of error from
the Supreme Court of the Territory of New
Mexico, the latter came up by writ of
error from the Circuit Court of the United
States for the District of New Mexico.
The action was brought to recover back
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