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NO TAXATION UPON THE NECESSARIES UNDER THE TARIFF.

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Just now his views on the Tariff are going the rounds. He is quoted as saying that the internal revenues must be abolished and all of the taxes for the support of the Government shall be raised under the Tariff.

We repeat, it is a wrong principle, because it is unjust, because it is unequal, because it bears heavily upon the laboring classes and exempts from taxation those articles that are not necessary to man's health or comfort and that can be dispensed with, and that of all the productions of the world can best bear the heaviest tax.

THE WEEKLY STAR.

RAISE THE NEEDED REVENUE WITHOUT TAXING THE NECESSARIES A PENNY.

We would not object then to wiping out the tax on whiskey and tobacco. And why think you? We answer, First, because there would be a surplus if this was not done, and we are opposed to a surplus, regarding it as dangerous.

Second, because the principle we contend for would still be operative, to-wit, the revenues would still be raised on the luxuries.

But this cannot be done. We have before shown why. Remember that in 1877 of the total 131 millions raised under the Tariff 86 millions was raised upon the necessities of life.

So, however reconstructed, re-adjusted and reduced the Tariff may be it cannot possibly raise revenue enough to support the General Government without taxing that large class of articles known among political economists as necessities—articles that every family is compelled to use more or less.

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RAILROAD MATTERS.

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THE BOSTON MARKET.

A correspondent of the Savannah Morning News, replying to some strictures regarding the local cotton market of that city, under date of Tuesday, September 4th, makes use of certain facts which may be of interest hereabouts.

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MARINE DISASTERS.

Loss of a German Barque—A Savannah Steamship Damaged by Fire—The Crews of Line Steamers Caught and Wrecked of Newfoundland—Sailing Vessels Sunk and Liven Lost.

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FROM RALEIGH.

Religious revivals reported in Raleigh. Revivals reported in Raleigh Recorder: Shiloh, Caswell, 16 additions; Beulah, Sampson, 88 baptisms; Buckhorn, Hertford, 15 professions; Bethel, 13 baptisms; Leis Chapel, 25 professions; Woodstock, 30 professions; North Carolina, 9 professions; Hickory, 10 professions; Island Creek Church, Granville, 30 baptisms; Piney Grove, Sampson, 19 professions; Collier's Grove, 18 baptisms; Lower Church, Caldwell, 25 baptisms; Rev. C. M. Murchison reported 50 professions.

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Spirits Turpentine.

The Oxford, Carolina's Grand says H. G. Cooper, Esq., and Captain A. H. A. Williams are making preparations to have Granville represented at the Boston Exposition; the former in tobacco and the latter in minerals.

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