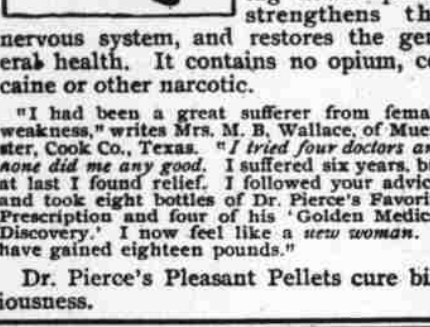


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CHARLES DICKENS. The pure, the bright, the beautiful, that stirred our hearts in youth, the impulses of wordless prayer, the dreams of love and truth; the longings after something lost, the striving after better hopes, these things can never die.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

Many a man is willing to hold on to Christ, who is not at all willing that Christ should hold on to him. Trust the Lord much while he is with you. Keep your eyes on him. His secrets are with you; let your secrets be with him. - Spurgeon.

TWINKLINGS.

His Method: "Does that young man next door to you play his trombone by ear or by note?" "Neither. By brute force." - Chicago Times Herald.

Immoral Fables

BY BARRY PAIN.

An elderly giraffe born in foreign parts was in the habit of entertaining with his conversation a large cageful of baboons.

"The baboon, terse, but by no means indifferent, nodded his head. 'Is composed of sand. Some deserts are furnished also with a neat and convenient oasis, an arrangement of palm and fountain trees, singularly grateful and refreshing to the weary and parched traveler. Others are provided with a mirage, an ingenious optical illusion of water, which, when the test of results, of no practical value.

THE PENDING REVENUE ACT.

As Drafted by the Joint Finance Committee of the N. C. General Assembly.

MOST IMPORTANT FEATURES

Gives to the Public in a Summary Prepared by Representative Willard, One of the Framers of the Important Measure.

(Special Star Telegram.)

RALEIGH, N. C., February 23.—The Revenue act as drafted by the joint Finance Committee is now in the hands of the State printers Mr. Willard, who is active in its preparation, gave newspapers today a summary of which the following is the gist:

"There has been so much ill advised comment on the Revenue bill, that explanation of its chief provisions may be of interest. Some large tax-certainly proposed provisions that may possibly be in the nature of a double taxation, when it has been the fixed purpose of the committee to avoid as far as possible anything in the nature of a double tax. One first proposition, looking to this end, made by the writer, (Willard) is that all owners of mortgaged real estate be permitted to deduct the amount of the mortgage on their property from the assessed value when affidavit and certificate from the tax lister is exhibited showing that the mortgage itself is taxed. For certain reasons, which the committee deemed good, it was not thought advisable to adopt this provision at this time.

"Section one of the Revenue bill states the objects for which taxes are levied. There is no change in this old law.

"Section two levies a poll tax of \$1.25. On account of the regressive nature of the poll tax, which bears much more heavily on the poor man than a man of means, we supplement it with an inheritance tax on legacies of personal property exceeding \$2,000 and an income tax which distributes the burden of taxation somewhat more equally.

"Section three levies a general property tax of twenty cents for State purposes, four cents for pensions, eight cents for schools, an aggregate of forty three cents, the same as last year; the only change being that the amount of pensions is increased from three and one-third to four cents, and the tax for State purposes is reduced from five to four cents.

"Section four levies a tax on banks. This section is changed so as to require shares of stock of all banks to be valued by the State auditor, and the State tax to be paid direct to the State treasurer. The auditor is then required to certify to the counties in which stockholders reside, the value of their shares, and the stockholders pay the local tax on that valuation. The tax on shares of non resident stockholders is paid by the bank in the county where the bank is located.

"Section five relates to the machinery for collecting the bank tax. The next section imposes tax on corporate loans. Nothing new in this is it simply a tax on personal property, which every taxpayer owning any such property already has been required to pay. It changes the method of collecting the tax, making the corporation responsible for it; specifically states that bonds issued by the corporation shall be exempt from all other State taxation in the hands of holders of the same. The same is true in regard to tax on municipal loans. Whenever under the law bonds of counties or cities are subject to State taxation, the treasurer of the county or city is made tax collector, and the individual owning the bonds is then exempt from further taxation on them.

"Tax on building and loan associations is not changed. The next section provides for a tax on all corporations except such as are specifically taxed by name under some other section of the law. This is no new tax, but simply steps to secure beyond pervadence taxes always levied but in a great many cases never paid. Every corporation is required to make a statement to the auditor giving only such information as may enable him properly to value the capital stock. After this valuation is made the assessed value of real estate is deducted and the corporation pays the tax to the treasurer of the State.

"The next tax levied is the inheritance or succession tax. A transfer tax imposed on successional, the right of a legatee to take under a will or of collateral distribution in case of intestate. This tax is entirely in the interest of small property owners and is intended as a balance wheel to adjust in some measure the unequal application of the present laws which place necessarily increased burden we must carry where most easily supported.

"The next section levies an income tax on all incomes over \$1,000. Schedule B is devoted to license taxes. They are retained substantially in the same form as they heretofore existed. Schedule C levies a privilege tax on railroad, telegraph, express and telephone companies. The only material change is the privilege tax on railroads. This is grown out of the act in the State Legislature of 1909, and will be the source of considerable revenue to the State.

"In all efforts to frame a proposed revenue law we endeavored to be guided by due regard for the interests of the people; we have endeavored to bring property which heretofore has been taxed upon the tax books; that would be oppressive to owners of manufacturing establishments, and also tried to keep before us the interests of the great number of taxpayers who occupy tenement houses surrounding factories. We have done the best to make the proposed law work the greatest good to the greatest number."

SENATORS CONSIDERING RELATIONS WITH CUBA.

Propositions Embodied in a Proposed Amendment to the Army Appropriation Bill.

By Telegram to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 23.—The Senate Committee on Relations with Cuba met today to consider a proposed amendment to the Army Appropriation bill providing for a disposition of Cuban affairs. The proposition was presented by the Republican members of the committee and is said to be satisfactory to most of them.

The proposed amendment recites the special war reasons which then drew the President's authority to withdraw the troops from Cuba when in his judgment the provision of the Act of March 2, 1901, was no longer applicable. The proposition embodied in the proposed amendment includes the following points:

"That the United States shall have supervisory and administrative jurisdiction over all treaties with foreign countries made by the republic of Cuba.

"That Cuba shall not undertake to pay the debt incurred by Spain during the war with Cuba prior to or after the intervention of the United States.

"That Cuba shall agree either to lease or to sell to the United States all the territory of the island as in the opinion of the United States may be necessary to the protection of the interests of this country.

"That the United States shall have sufficient supervision of the laws of Cuba relating to sanitation to protect this country from epidemics liable to originate there.

"The idea is that these provisions shall be included in a treaty to be made with Cuba, but that they need not be a part of the constitution.

"The majority members of the committee expressed themselves willing to come to an understanding upon the proposed amendment, and the most important suggestions were made by the minority, Senator Butler, North Carolina, being one of the fore- most in the matter.

"When the committee adjourned today there was still important differences to be reconciled, and the members expressed the hope that the committee is giving special attention, although that point may not be evaded or given mentioned in the proposed amendment, as the relation of Cuba to the Isle of Pines. There is some disposition among the Cubans to hold on to that island so near to their own territory as to be a serious position on the part of the United States to release that possession, on the ground that the island was acquired by the Spanish as a result of the war.

"There is also some or less contention over the exact meaning of the word 'sanitation,' as used in the bill. The resolution, which recites that the United States shall have sufficient supervision of the laws of Cuba when it should be 'pacified,' the contention is that this is a word which is not defined, and may permit the United States troops to remain for a long period of time.

"Apparently all the members of the committee unite in the opinion that there would be no possibility of withdrawing the American forces until after the election and installation of the officials under the new constitution.

"There will be an effort to report the amendment Monday or Tuesday, as the committee has already had to become a part of the Army Appropriation bill, the consideration of which has already begun in the Senate.

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CHINESE IMPERIAL EDICTS

Fully Comply With the Punishments Demanded by the Foreign Envoys. Executions Ordered.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—A dispatch from Peking, dated 23rd, says: "The court's edict was received today and communicated to the ministers. It fully complies with the punishments originally demanded except in the case of Chao Shu Chiao and Ying Nien who are to be kept in the custody of the Chinese."

"The edicts were received for February 24th.

German Troops Attacked.

TIEN TSU, February 23.—Several hundred imperial Chinese troops attacked fifty Germans, west of Pao Ting Fu, February 21st. The Germans were pressed, fought a hard battle and eventually drove the Chinese back. The Germans had one man killed and seven wounded. It is estimated that the Chinese lost two hundred in killed and wounded.

The Latest Edict.

SHAN GHAI, Feb. 23.—The latest edict of the Chinese court expresses the desire that Chi-Hsun and Hui-Cheng-Yu, now in the hands of the Powers, be handed over for immediate execution.

"Native newspapers assert that Li Hung Chang has telegraphed that the negotiations are at a deadlock and that he has memorialized the throne admitting his inability to arrive at a settlement, and offering himself for punishment in accordance with Chinese custom.

"The Emperor has sent to Prince Ching Li Hung Chang the draft of the proposed future court etiquette, for the approval of the ministers of the Powers.

The Forbidden City.

PEKING, Feb. 23.—Sir Robert Hart (chief of the Chinese Imperial customs) has sent the ministers of the Powers a strongly worded letter of protest against the seizure of his property, to increase the size of the 'Austrian' area, which has been taken by Austria, France, Germany and Italy.

"General Yamaguchi, the Japanese commander, and General Chaffee have issued orders permitting visitors to the Forbidden City on certain days, during certain hours, and that foreign generals and their personal friends can visit the city at any time. The foreign ministers consider themselves delighted.

"The principal point, the court edict regarding the punishments, was discussed at yesterday's meeting of the ministers and today's meeting was short owing to the ministers awaiting the full text of the Chinese court's latest edicts, which, though officially reported as absolute, require official confirmation.

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STEAMER RIO DE JANEIRO.

Further Particulars of the Disaster at the Golden Gate—The Loss of Life—Value of the Cargo.

By Telegram to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—So far as can be ascertained from reliable data one hundred and twenty-eight lives were lost in the wreck of the Pacific Mail steamer City of Rio de Janeiro. Some 150 men were early this morning found in p-ckets containing the papers of Purser Rooney. Among them was the passenger list and a bunch of cancelled passenger tickets and as there were names on the list whose cancelled passenger tickets did not appear among those recovered, it is assumed that they laid over either at Yokohama, Kobe or Honolulu. They were not on the vessel at the time she went down in the strait.

The value of the cargo of the Rio de Janeiro has not been determined, owing to the absence of important papers, but it is variously estimated at from \$300,000 to \$600,000. The cargo consisted principally of silk, tea, rice and other Oriental products. There was no treasurer aboard as was first reported.

Of the 200 sacks of mail carried by the Rio only twelve have come to the surface. The investigation into the loss of the steamer probably will be held next Monday.

During the past fifty years the Pacific Mail Steamship Company has lost nineteen of its fleet. Freight Clerk Englehart, of the Rio, who was saved, said today that Capt. Ward could not have looked himself in the cabin. "The last I saw of Capt. Ward," he said, "he was standing on the bridge and was trying the rope of the whistle to the rail. This was done to keep the whistle blowing during the time. I am sure that the ship sank so quickly that Capt. Ward did not have time to reach the cabin."

A rumor that General DeWet had been captured was put in circulation in the London Stock Exchange yesterday morning, but no confirmation of the report could be obtained.

Three persons were killed at Goshen, Ind., and several injured by the Washburn great bound passenger train running into a sleigh filled with people.

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