

PORT ORFORD POST

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DIRECT TAX VS. TARIFF.

And now comes Senator Call of Florida, an I disavows "Free Trade" principles—his for a tariff for revenue, but opposed to "protection" which means little revenue. The reasons Senator Call gives for his opposition are what disgust us. He says under Free Trade all Government revenues would have to be raised from a direct tax on property. This is true, and who will say that it would not be a fair, just and equitable method of raising Federal revenue? But Senator Call says it is notorious that the rich, through concealment, perjury and Government bonds generally escape taxation to a very large extent, while the poor and middle classes are compelled to pay up to the last farthing. This is true, and pity 'tis true. But all these abuses and inequalities of burden can be remedied when the people, in earnest, determined, in courageous tones shall demand it. They can demand that Congress tax incomes, and it will straightway be done. By this means the bondholders will be reached; they can demand that adequate, stringent, laws be enforced against concealment, evasion and perjury, and this will be done also. After this the problem of equal taxation, just taxation, will be solved. Then it will happen that the farmer, mechanic or tradesman who is worth but one thousand dollars will have to contribute but about three dollars annually toward Federal support, instead of an average of one hundred and fifty dollars as now. The man who is worth one million will then have to contribute thirty thousand dollars instead of one hundred and fifty dollars as is now the case. Would there be anything unfair, unequal or unjust in all this? Is it not the theory of our State and municipal taxation that men shall be taxed according to what they own, and could any system be more just?

But let us assume that the rich would manage to shuffle off half of their just tribute of taxation under a system of direct Federal taxation the poor, middle classes and men of even considerable resources would still be largely the gainers. Let us apply the figures here again. A, who is worth \$1,000 will have to pay \$6 annually, while B, who is worth \$1,000,000, would have to contribute \$15,000 after he has shirked, by one subterfuge and another, half of his just dues to the Government. This we take, would be more satisfactory to the people of moderate means who toil and produce all, than the present tariff system which compels them to pay exactly as much as the millionaire.

It has been the life work of the rich to persuade the common people that they "would not stand a direct Government tax!"

Another opposition line of steamers is to go on the route between San Francisco and Portland.

REPEAL THE CODE.

Finis—Annie Murry is dead. No bells are tolled at her obsequies, no dress parades are indulged in as her still white body goes unheralded to its tomb. A cyprian has gone to her final home, unhonored by all and unwept by everybody save the suffering mother who alone was true. Let the poor wanderer sleep; and let us hope that in the great awakening to the hereafter she will find no one-sided code of morals to "Stone the woman, let the man go free."

—New Northwest.
The above is absolutely true but who does more than woman herself to uphold the false and unfair code? A woman trips and falls in the gutter; her sex spits on her and leaves her there. A man errs and inflicts cruel and irreparable wrong and is known as a heartless libertine—he is admitted to society, petted and admired by those who should shun him as they would a snake and those whose duty it is to stone him are the last to throw at him. Women themselves can take away the force of the unjust moral code whenever they choose to do so; by inflexible social rules debarring any one tainted with a suspicion of libertinism from their own society and that of their daughters.—Jacksonville Sentinel.

And not only do women assail the fallen of their own sex with a vehemence which smacks of revenge, but, by the savage code of their own making, they compel the men to fall into line in the heartless proscription of many unfortunates whose souls were, before and after their "fall" as white as the driven snow in comparison with those of numerous others who had never been guilty of the unpardonable crime of being "caught." Men must put the seal of their social ban in these matters where the women point. What does the New Northwest think of the women of Brooklyn for joining in the vote to exalt Beecher by an increase of his salary as their pastor while they consigned poor, erring Elizabeth R. Tilton to everlasting social banishment?

REPUBLICANISM AND THE CHINESE.

There is a strange infatuation pervading the minds of leading Republicans at the East, which impels them to favor, and applaud, and encourage the coming to, and and naturalization of Chinese in, this country. But for partizan peril not a single Republican outside of the Pacific States would have voted for the restriction Bill, and the very few who did so vote, prefaced their action with apologies of one sort and another. Farley's amendment which provides that no Chinaman shall be naturalized passed by a bare majority, every negative vote save a solitary one being cast by a Republican, and that one by an ex-Republican—Brown of Georgia. And it does seem so utterly inconsistent for every shrieker for a tariff for the protection of American labor to invite, and promote, and foster the coming of the Chinese hordes to this country, and with whom it were madness to suppose the white laborer can compete in the race of life.

Ten persons were killed by a train on the N. P. R. R. falling through a bridge near Sweetbrier, Montana.

DAWES AND THE CHINESE.

In his speech in opposition to the Chinese Bill and in favor of Chinese suffrage, Mr. Dawes alleged that the crusade against Chinamen on the Pacific Coast is led by ignorant and barbarous people, and is the result of an "overmastering passion." Senator Jones of Nevada interrupted him and said:

"I should like to correct the Senator in that. The universal sentiment on the Pacific Coast when the Burlingame treaty was ratified was against it, and while the Republican party was in a majority of 20,000 in California when the election took place in 1867, the fact that the nominee for Governor of that party had been in favor of Chinese immigration beat him by 10,000 votes. In 1867 Mr. Haight was elected, and from the very fact that he sat at dinner and in a speech welcomed the Chinese and welcomed this treaty that Mr. Burlingame had made, Mr. Burlingame being on a sort of junketing tour with the Chinese showing them around, when Mr. Haight was renominated in 1872 he was defeated by thousands of votes by one who was opposed to Chinese immigration. The California people have never ceased their opposition to Chinese immigration from the earliest times until now. And yet we hear, sir, that it is an overmastering passion just engendered to-day! It is their calm judgment that it is against the interest of the people of that Coast, that Chinese should come here, and there is no passion about it. It is a feeling that pervades all sections of the community and all classes of the community, the church member, the foreigner, the native, and all alike. The Senator does injustice to the Pacific Coast when he says it is an overmastering passion led by foreigners alone."

Only two Republican Senators not of this Coast voted to exclude Chinese from naturalization. One of these was Teller of Colorado, who did good service for the whole Bill throughout the discussion. He said he would vote for the Bill because he saw no other way to protect American labor. In conclusion he said: "While other Senators might vote for the measure with a sort of apology, he had no apology to make when he voted for it." All honor to Senator Teller.

A poor Swedish widow with her young son has resided at Utica, New York, some time scarcely being able to procure the cheapest necessities of life. The other day the destitute widow was made glad by the news that, by the death of a relative in Sweden, she had been left \$500,000.

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