

SUMMARY OF TAX REDUCTIONS.

The bill to reduce the war tax has passed the house and will pass the senate in the near future and become a law 30 days after its passage. It is probable that the bill will become a law before the end of January. The following summary of the proposed changes will be of interest to many readers of THE CHRONICLE:

Commercial brokers—Tax of \$20 revoked.

Custom house brokers—Tax of \$10 rescinded.

Theaters, etc.—Tax of \$100 removed.

Circuses, etc.—Tax of \$100 canceled.

Exhibitions, etc.—Tax of \$10 repealed.

Bank checks, drafts, deposit certificates, etc.—Tax revoked.

Bills of exchange, inland and foreign—Tax annulled.

Bills of lading, etc.—Tax of 10 cents repealed.

Telephone messages—Tax rescinded.

Bonds—Tax 50 cents, repealed.

Certificates for marine purposes—Tax 25 cents, revoked.

Certificates of legal nature—Tax 10 cents, cancelled.

Charter contracts for shipping—Tax removed.

Contracts for brokerage—Tax 10 cents, repealed.

Conveyances, deeds, etc.—Tax annulled.

Dispatches, telegraphic—Tax 1 cent, rescinded.

Insurance, life policies—Tax revoked.

Insurance, marine—Tax cancelled.

Leases, agreements for rent, etc.—Tax removed.

Manifests for custom house entry or clearance—Tax cancelled.

Mortgages, pledges of realty or personality—Tax rescinded.

Passage tickets by vessels to foreign ports—Tax removed.

Power of attorney, proxies, etc.—Tax 10 cents, repealed.

Protest for notes, checks, drafts, etc.—Tax 25 cents, rescinded.

Warehouse receipts for storage, etc.—Tax 25 cents, annulled.

Beer—Tax reduced from \$1 a barrel, less 7 1/2 per cent, to 20 per cent, making a net reduction of 25 cents a barrel.

Cigars—Tax \$3.60 per 1000 reduced to \$3 per 1000.

Proprietary articles, patent medicines, etc.—Tax rescinded.

The Oregonian discovers in "a simultaneous outbreak from several newspapers in the state on the subject of the customary republican party caucus for the senatorial nomination" the first ripple of unpleasantness in a hitherto peaceful contest. The bone of contention, as the Oregonian puts it, is over a proposal in the interests of McBride that the vote in caucus be viva voce, instead of by secret ballot as heretofore. The basis of the demand lies, not exactly as the Oregonian puts it, "in the suspicion of the McBride forces that some of their men have been captured by the opposition," but rather in the fact that Corbett has a well-filled sack and, judging by the past, very many believe that he will not hesitate to place its contents where they will do the most good. The Oregonian is kind enough to ask that the bone of contention be recognized and that the fight for the senatorship be conducted dignifiedly and in good temper. This is excellent advice and we devoutly hope that it will be adopted. There is nothing unreasonable in the demand of McBride's friends. It is wholly in the interest of clean politics. No honest man ought to be shamed to make an open avowal of his preference. If there is to be a caucus by all means let each member of the legislature have a chance to

declare openly where he stands. In this way very much can be done to allay suspicions that are bound to arise in a secret caucus.

Judge Taft confirms the view that the insurgents in the Philippines are now merely ladrones and brigands. He calls the insurrection "a conspiracy of murder, threats and assassination by a small number of Filipinos in arms against their own people." The United States is performing a great work of benevolence in the islands.

The Globe-Democrat laments that the prospective war between Portugal and Holland will not last long enough for Carl Schurz to ascertain which side he ought to be on in order to be inconsistent.

Our trade with new possessions and with Cuba has run up to \$50,000,000 a year, or three times what it was in 1897. It will be far in the hundreds of millions ten years hence.

The Presbyterians are endeavoring to make some improvements in their creed and it is pertinently suggested that here is a hint for the democratic party.

The indications are that the army canteen will give way to the half-pint flask and the bootlegger.

He Tried a Sample Bottle

Nearly every day people come into drug stores and ask the Druggists to recommend some medicine for their trouble. Very often they refuse to do so, because, as a rule, they do not believe it proper to advise anyone to take a patent medicine of which they do not know the ingredients. It is the physician's business to prescribe. Some make an exception, however, when

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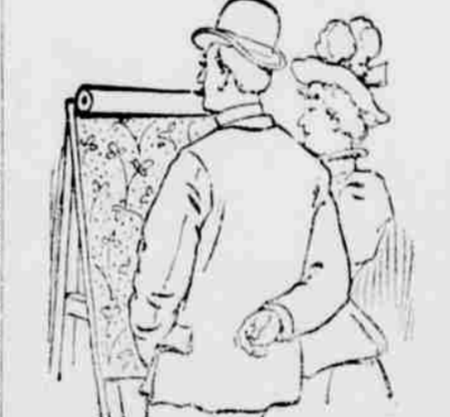
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