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TAXATION IN PORTO RICO.

The Porto Rican delegation which is in this country asking congress to disallow the Hollender bill recently passed by the government of Porto Rico to raise local revenue furnishes food for thought concerning the much bewailed injustice of the Porto Rican tariff law, says the New York Tribune. It will be remembered that this law, the constitutionality of which is now before the supreme court, was passed to provide local revenues pending the establishment of a government in the island and the perfection of a system of internal taxation. It was bitterly denounced as a perfidious breach of faith and a monstrous oppression of our new dependents. Eloquent orations were made about our duty to extend to Porto Rico our constitution, with its domestic revenue system, and our failure to do so was denounced with fanatical vehemence. It is instructive to consider the views of the Porto Ricans on the Hollender taxes, and speculate on their probable views of the taxes which would be imposed upon them under our constitution.

The Hollender bill provides for a general real estate tax of one-half of 1 per cent on assessed valuation, a very moderate levy indeed, according to our standards of real estate taxation. In addition, for municipal purposes it lays a tax of one-half of 1 per cent on land. Among the imposts is one of 80 cents a gallon on domestic rum. On cigarettes a tax of \$1 a thousand is levied. The visiting Porto Ricans object to the real estate taxes as excessive and burdensome. They say that the impost on rum is so heavy in proportion to the ruling price of spirits and

the ability of the people to pay that it would be prohibitive. As rum is the principal by-product of the sugar mills and, owing to their crude machinery, makes a large item in their balance, such a tax would ruin the sugar industry. The tax on cigarettes, too, it is said, would put them to an impossible price and stop production.

These objections may or may not be overdrawn. They are, at any rate, the objections of native Porto Ricans, and show what they regard as oppressive taxes. In the light of their view consider the taxes which Porto Ricans would be paying if our "equality for Porto Rico" advocates had had their way—which they will be paying if the supreme court decides that the constitution compels us to give them uniform taxation with ourselves. Our internal revenue law imposes not merely a tax of 80 cents but one of \$1.10 a gallon on spirits, 37 1/2 per cent advance on what the Porto Ricans say is prohibitive. Our tax is \$1 a thousand on all-tobacco cigarettes and from \$1.50 to \$3 a thousand on paper wrapped cigarettes. Imagine the poor Porto Ricans struggling along under the blessings of such "equality" when their local conditions are such as to make that equality not a blessing, but a curse: If the Hollender taxes are oppressive, the constitutional system would be crushing; for it is far heavier on these few articles of general consumption in Porto Rico, and besides levies imposts on a variety of other articles there untaxed.

Moreover, it is to be remembered that if the constitution compels uniform taxation in Porto Rico, it will take the proceeds for the federal treasury and leave the island to provide for its local expenses in addition. Thus imposts greater than those of the Hollender bill on spirits

and tobacco would be levied for Washington, and land taxes far heavier than the small percentage now objected to by the Porto Ricans would have to be levied for the island's own needs. Now Porto Rico is freed from our heavy internal revenue taxes and bears merely a light customs tax, the proceeds of which are for its own benefit, saving it from other taxes which the Porto Ricans say they are unable to pay. This is merely one illustration of the difference between facts and sentimental theories. The sentimentalist would ruin Porto Rico to carry out his theory of the declaration of independence. He would give it the form of equal taxation, which in the fact would be utterly unequal and crushing.

On the last ballot for senator the first man to change to Mitchell, after voting for Corbett, was Representative A. S. Roberts. There was no band wagon in sight at the time and only a seer could have known what was going to follow that single change of vote.

The colored barytone of St. George's church, in New York City—a Mr. Burleigh—went to Albany one day to sing at a private musicale. After it was over the barytone went to a near-by hotel, but was refused admittance because of his color. Four other hotels were unwilling to receive him. Coming back to the house where he had sung he explained his predicament. Governor Roosevelt, who had been one of the guests, heard the conversation. "What's that?" he roared. "Here, Burleigh, you come with me. I'll see to it that you get a bed." He drove to his own home, gave the singer the best guest room in the house, and saw to it before he went to bed that every Albany newspaper would announce the next morning that Mr. Burleigh had been a guest at the executive mansion. — March Ladies Home Journal.

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