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War Taxes.

Referring to a statement of the finances of this government, from 1863 to June 30th, 1886, sent to us by Senator Dolph, we observe that in 1863 the receipts per capita were \$3.86 against expenditures per capita \$21.42, and the excess against the nation was \$602,043,434.22. The last year per capita receipts were \$5.67, expenditures per capita \$4.70, and the balance in favor of the treasury amounted to \$63,463,771.27. It is quite a commentary on the abilities of this Nation, to observe the array of figures presented in this table, and we thank Mr. Dolph for the same. Referring to the unhappy condition of Europe where the people are taxed in time of peace for the maintenance of their military establishments upon a war footing, the New York Tribune complacently remarks: "That is a bad country to live in where peace costs as much as war." True enough, and happy is America that she is secure in her position, thanks to the sea, from the conditions which make a European country such a bad one to live in. But the true significance of the remark lies in its application to this country where war taxes are maintained twenty years after the war is over. If the Tribune really believes the sentiment embodied in its little apothegm, why don't it advocate the final placing of our own system of taxation on the peace basis, instead of insisting on the maintenance of a war tariff, the like of which is not known elsewhere in the world, in these piping times of peace? Another call for the redemption of \$10,000,000 has been issued by acting Secretary Fairchild. Three more such calls will wipe out all of the three per cents, after which no more bonds are payable until Sept. 1, 1891. Meanwhile congress neglects and refuses to adopt any means to check the accumulation of the surplus in the treasury. Democrats and republicans are alike culpable about this matter. The President pocketed

the rivers and harbor bill, vetoed the pension bill, and admits that the annual surplus in the treasury will be from \$90,000,000 to \$100,000,000. Yet the house, where, under the constitution all revenue bills must originate, made no movement whatever to repeal war taxes, which in time of peace are an outrage upon the people.

Visit to McMinnville.

We had the pleasure of visiting McMinnville last month, and in connection with the Rev. Mr. Parker of Eugene city, of assisting the Rev. Mr. Fair in holding a pre-lent mission. The attendance at all the services, although the weather was very disagreeable, was excellent, and we hope and pray much good was done. We were greatly pleased to find that some improvements had been made to the church since our last visit, especially in the chancel arrangements, and that the church looks so neat, clean and well cared for. Too much praise can not be given to the ladies Guild, who have kept up their organization for years, although for a large portion of the time they have been without a settled minister. By their efforts they have kept the church in good repair, and met all incidental expenses. The parish is also indebted largely to the venerable Dr. H. V. V. Johnson, who for years has kept the church open with lay services whenever the services of a clergyman could not be secured. Thus, through the efforts of the guild, and of Dr. Johnson as lay-reader, the church has not been suffered to die. Now we rejoice to know that the prospects for the future are encouraging. Some time since a Sunday school was organized, for the first time in the history of the parish. It began with twelve pupils and has already increased to thirty, with prospects of much greater growth. McMinnville has grown very much during the past few years, and is likely to continue to do so, for it is surrounded on all sides by a large extent of agricultural country. There is much talk now of its becoming the county seat. A vote is to be had on that question at the election next fall, and if it should result in favor of McMinnville, it will certainly become a very important center for church work. We hope and believe that the people will do all in their power to keep Mr. Fair among them, and that he and they will, in due time, see the fruits of patient sowing and waiting.—Churchman.

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