

# TO REDUCE THE REVENUE

## Ways and Means Committee of Lower House

### Drafts a Measure to Lessen the Income Under the War Revenue Bill \$40,000,000--The Canteen Section of the New Army Bill is Very Stringent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Chairman Payne, of the Ways and Means committee, today introduced a bill reducing taxation under the War Revenue act, after the Republican members of the committee had agreed on a form of the measure, and the articles to receive the reduction. It is intended to have the full committee act on the bill tomorrow, and to put it through the House before Christmas. The bill provides an aggregate reduction estimated at \$40,000,000. Among the reductions, as given out by Mr. Payne, are the following:

Beer, \$9,832,712; cigars, \$3,189,764; bank checks, \$7,000,000.

**THE CANTEEN SECTION.**  
Washington, Dec. 5.—The canteen provision in the new army bill is likely to cause a great deal of contention. Instead of being a prohibition of the sale of liquor, it provides that no army officer or soldier shall sell liquor. The provision is as follows:

"That no officer or private soldier shall sell intoxicating drinks of any kind, as bartender or otherwise, in any army post, nor on any army transport, or in any encampment or fort, or on any premises used for military purposes by the United States."

**CREATED A SENSATION.**  
Washington, Dec. 5.—Something of a sensation was created during the debate, this afternoon, on the army bill in the House, by McCall, of Mas-

**SENOR DON CIPRIANO CASTRO,**



President of Venezuela, who had a leg broken in the recent earthquake at Caracas.

sachusetts, who delivered an hour's speech in opposition to the bill. He criticized some of the technical fea-

### A BIG PENSION ROLL.

**SECRETARY HITCHCOCK OF THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.**

Discusses the Matter of Paying the Old Veterans—Large Sum Will Be Required Next Year.

**NEW YORK, Dec. 5.**—Secretary Ethan Allen Hitchcock, of the Department of the Interior, who is here on private business, returned to Washington tonight.

"The pension roll for the coming year will call for the expenditure of about \$142,000,000, as against about \$138,000,000 for the year just closing," said the Secretary in an interview. "There are a little less than 1,000,000 names on the roll now and these are being added to by recent legislation. Under the old law soldiers' widows not wholly dependent on their own labor for their support were not entitled to draw a pension. A recent law made it legal for a widow receiving an income not above \$250 a year to receive a pension. This and certain amendments bearing on the construction of the disability of veteran applicants have added several thousand names to the roll. No country in the world is so liberal with its pensioners as this Government, and this fact has prompted dishonest men to take every sort of mean advantage of the Government. No doubt there are many fraudulent pensioners on the rolls today, but as fast as trickery is discovered, the proper measures are taken to check it."

"How about the claims of the Kiowa land allotments in the Indian Territory?" Mr. Hitchcock was asked.

"The time for the completion of the allotment of the 480,000 acres in the southern part of the Indian Territory to the Comanches and Kiowas expires this week," replied Mr. Hitchcock, "and only about 200 of the 3000 allotments of 160 acres each have been made. The surveyors encountered great difficulties in tracing the old boundary lines where certain corners had been marked by blazed trees by the earlier surveyors. Some of these tree trunks were sent to Washington for our inspection. After these Indian lands have been allotted there will be left more or less territory for public settlement. I don't know how many prospective settlers ignorant of the law rushed in and settled on these lands and had to be removed by the Government agents. There was no particular resistance. They simply did not understand the law. With reference to the attempt of a certain Kansas City syndicate which tried to secure the passage of a law permitting the transference of certain nomadic tribes from the Indian Territory to old Mexico, I do not believe that anything of the kind will be done."

**PEAR YELLOW JACK.**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The body of

ette Valley flouring mills are grinding wheat from Eastern Oregon to keep their mills grinding, and even to supply the local demand for flour. Not only do the mills on the railroad or on the river do this, but some also that have to haul wheat with team for several miles.

Never before, it is believed, has Eastern Oregon wheat been drawn to keep the Willamette Valley mills going.

### TOWNE ACCEPTS.

Minnesota Silver Man Appointed Senator by Governor Lind.

**DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 5.**—Chas. S. Towne tonight confirmed the report that Governor Lind has tendered him the Senatorship to succeed the late Senator Davis, and said he had accepted it. He will leave for Washington tomorrow.

### THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

Parliament to Be Summoned to Provide for the Army.

**LONDON, Dec. 5.**—The Queen's speech tomorrow will be the shortest on record. It will consist of a single sentence, announcing that Parliament will be summoned to provide supplies for the army.

### VALUATION IN GRANT COUNTY

#### Increase of Thirty Per Cent in Taxable Property

#### SHOWN BY THIS YEAR'S TAX ROLL

#### Summary Filed in the Department of State Yesterday—Two Years' Statements Compared.

The clerk of Grant county yesterday filed the summary of the assessment roll for the year 1900, of that county, in the Department of State, for the use of the State Board of Levy, in levying the annual state tax. The summary shows a healthy condition of affairs in Grant county, the increase in valuations being nearly 30 per cent. The total taxable valuation for the year 1899 was \$601,353, while the same item for this year aggregates \$1,356,550, a clear gain of \$755,197. The summary for this year shows the following statistics:

18,554 acres tillable land, .....	\$ 119,810
317,283 acres non-tillable, .....	419,810
Imp. on deeded lands, .....	148,990
Town lots, .....	50,250
Imp. on town lots, .....	51,700
Imp. on undeeded lands, .....	18,610
232 miles railroad bed, .....	2,340
Steamboats, engines, etc., .....	26,720
Merchandise, .....	73,530
Farming implements, etc., .....	24,410
Money, .....	15,610
Notes and accounts, .....	61,810
Household furniture, etc., .....	18,100
4980 horses and mules, .....	56,230
14,430 cattle, .....	214,800
18,541 sheep, .....	142,920
563 swine, .....	1,760

Gross valuation, .....

\$1,447,080
Exemptions, .....
90,730

Total taxable property, .....

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For purpose of comparison the summary of the roll for last year is given herewith, showing the classes of property on which the increase was made:

17,634 acres tillable land, .....	\$ 108,390
148,653 acres non-tillable, .....	218,583
Imp. on deeded lands, .....	127,260
Town lots, .....	20,831
Imp. on town lots, .....	49,528
Imp. on undeeded lands, .....	13,850
Steamboats, engines, etc., .....	9,375
181 miles telegraph and teleph., .....	1,860
Merchandise, .....	36,230
Farm implements, etc., .....	25,591
Money, .....	60
Notes and accounts, .....	53,321
Shares of stock, .....	12,337
Household furniture, etc., .....	17,535
8249 horses and mules, .....	46,583
13,172 cattle, .....	197,852
61,424 sheep and goats, .....	140,446
679 swine, .....	2,116

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### HON. AARON T. BLISS,



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### Played Out.

Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the pit of the stomach, Loss of appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores are all positive evidences of Impure blood. No matter how it became so it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Purifier has been found to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle with a positive guarantee. DR. STONE'S drug store.

**EASTERN OREGON WHEAT.**  
PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—The Willamette

### KING'S EVIL.

#### How Ignorance and Superstition Go Hand in Hand.

A curious sight might have been seen in England a couple of centuries ago. At Whitehall or some other royal residence a little group of people would shrinkingly await the coming of the king, in order to be "touched for the evil." The specific "evil" was scrofula, and it was the popular belief that scrofula could be cured by the royal touch. Hence the common name for scrofula was King's Evil.

Sometimes we know that scrofula is a disease of the blood and that even there was magic in a king's touch, no external treatment could cure scrofula. The medicine which cures



scrofula must deal with the blood. It must be able to eradicate and eliminate the poisons which corrupt the blood and breed and feed disease. When the blood is cleansed, the pimples, blotches, boils and other eruptions disappear, ulcers and sores are healed and the flesh becomes sound and healthy.

### THE RIGHT WAY

to cleanse the blood from scrofula is to choose that remedy which has cured thousands of people who suffered from scrofula in its most grievous forms.

"I am using a good many of your medicines in my practice," writes Dr. Joseph Fike, of Lost Springs, Marion Co., Kansas. "Ten years ago there was an emigration from Rusland to this country and there was a lady in the company who was badly affected with that dreadful disease, scrofula. Her mouth and throat were in an awful condition, and there were lumps on the outside, below the jaws, the size of a hen's egg. Other doctors had been called and they said it was a fatal case. I was called and made my diagnosis. I felt confident that none of my remedies would benefit her any. It came to my mind that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was recommended for such cases, so I went to the drug store and bought one bottle and gave it to her to use as directed. Five bottles cured her and she is well today. She is married now and has three healthy children."

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery judged solely by the cures it has effected is without doubt the most powerful and most perfect blood purifying medicine of the century. It is a radical remedy. It goes to the root of the disease. Some preparations containing mineral poisons such as mercury are offered as cures for scrofula. These medicines only suppress the symptoms of disease for a while and give the skin a look of clearness, but after a time the suppressed disease like a smothered fire breaks out anew and with a new violence.

It is the uniform testimony of those who have been cured of scrofulous diseases by the use of "Golden Medical Discovery" that the cure is permanent. In many instances the testimony to the cure has not been offered until the lapse of several years proved how thoroughly and lastingly the medicine had done its work.

No class of people are more grateful for the blood purifying power of the "Discovery" than women whose faces have been marked and marred by pimples and other eruptions. The smooth skin and clear complexion which come back when "Golden Medical Discovery" has swept the blood clean of its corrupting poisons, are a source of unfeigned delight to those who for years have had their beauty marred by some form of eruptive disease.

Beauty begins in the blood, and the first step to beauty is to cleanse the blood of the corrupting impurities which weaken the body and befoul the flesh.

**THE SCOURGE OF CIVILIZATION**  
From half civilized or unsanitary countries come the plagues which decimate the teeming populations of the Orient. Sanitary science and medical skill have banished the plagues from among ourselves, but civilization has its own scourge in that form of scrofula which attacks the lungs and is popularly known as consumption.

Plagues are not persistent. They appear and disappear again for years. Scrofula of the lungs or consumption is a persistent disease. Every day of every year it gathers in its victims; one-sixth of all deaths from disease being attributed to consumption. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures scrofula wherever it finds it. It eliminates the scrofulous poison from the blood and so the organs which are fed by blood are relieved from the scrofulous poisons which destroy them. Obsolete, deep-seated coughs, bronchitis, bleeding of the lungs and similar dangerous forms of disease are perfectly and permanently cured by "Golden Medical Discovery."

"Dr. Pierce's medicine has not only benefited me greatly but it has done wonders for my two sons," writes Mrs. M. Harriett, of Demeter, Oswego Co., N. Y. "Both had scrofula. I have lost two daughters in less than five years with consumption and scrofula. My eldest son was taken two or three years ago with hemorrhage from the lungs. It troubled him for over a year. He took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and has not had a hemorrhage in over a year. My young-

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The appellant, on May 17, 1899, filed his complaint to foreclose a mortgage given for a part of the purchase price of the premises described in the complaint. As matter of inducement the plaintiff alleged in his complaint that prior to the making of the mortgage he was the owner in fee and in possession of the premises described in the mortgage, and that being in failing health he was persuaded and induced by F. E. Woodward, his son-in-law, to convey over to him by absolute deed the title to said real premises, stating in the deed that the consideration therefor was the sum of \$2000 and that in payment of it said respondents, F. E. Woodward and his wife Martha A. Woodward, appellant's daughter, executed the note and mortgage for the sum of \$1500 sued upon. That at the same time to secure the payment of the remaining \$500 of the purchase price named in said deed, they executed with appellant and his wife a contract, practically for the support of appellant and his wife. The court below, on respondents' motion, struck out of plaintiff's complaint all of the matter referred to as inducement, showing that the mortgage was a purchase money mortgage. The note sued upon is for the sum of \$1500 payable "in forty dollars annually on the fifteenth day of September, 1895, 1896, and 1897, and \$50 thereafter on the same date each succeeding year until his death; in the event of his dying before Elizabeth, his wife, the same will be due and payable to her in like amounts and at the same dates, and after the death of both the balance will become due and payable to his heirs without interest."

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Discovery of Coal in Pennsylvania 109 Years Ago.

It is reported that a movement is on foot, said to be backed by Philadelphia coal men, to build at Summit Hill, near Mauch Chunk, Pa., a monument to coal to the memory of Philip Ginter, who discovered coal within a very short distance of Summit Hill. In September it was 100 years since Ginter made his great discovery. He lived in a rough cabin in the forests on the Mauch Chunk mountain. While in quest of game for his family, whom he had left at home without food of any kind, his foot struck a black stone. By the roadside not far from the town of Summit Hill he built a fire of wood and threw pieces of the supposed stone about it, so that the embers might last longer while he was roasting a fowl. He was surprised after a little while to see the stones aglow and retain their heat for a long time. He carried a lot of the coal home and burned it there. The few neighbors soon learned of the discovery, but there was no mining to any extent in Carbon county until after the war of 1812 had begun.

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The distress of these people is so great that the authorities propose to build premises for the exclusive purpose of storing the furniture of the crowded out, for these unfortunate people, though unable to find a roof, earn money and are not without household goods.

The crux of the matter is the lack of small houses. The building trade prefers to erect huge and rather expensive edifices, and the rents of these are such as persons of small means can not afford to pay, and yet the Berlin municipality spends every year about four millions sterling for the benefit of the housing problem. Meanwhile the housing problem is becoming more critical, and in reality constitutes a much more important subject than even the Chinese situation. In other German towns the misery of the crowded out is not so acute, but the growing seriousness of the situation demands immediate attention. Thus the municipality of Dusseldorf, one of the richest towns in the empire, has just decided to raise five millions sterling for building small and cheap houses for the working classes.

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