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THE DIRECT TAX MATTER

The bill to refund the direct taxes levied by the government upon the states at the beginning of the war will undoubtedly pass Congress this session. It stands first upon the Senate calendar, and there is a determination on the part of both Republicans and Democrats to push the measure through.

At the beginning of the war the Government found itself sorely in need of funds, and laws were passed levying a tax on each State and Territory and the District of Columbia, in proportion to population.

Table listing tax amounts for various states and territories, including Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington Territory, and Wisconsin.

The states and territories still in arrears for the direct tax are: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington Territory and Wisconsin. Some of these are in default for small sums only.

Of the total amount levied under the acts named, about \$15,000,000 in all has been collected, leaving about \$3,000,000 yet due. None of the delinquent states or territories, it is safe to say, would ever cheerfully pay the amounts which they owe under the direct tax laws.

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THE PERCHERON HORSE.

WHAT AN ENTHUSIASTIC UNITED STATES SENATOR SAYS OF HIM.

What Is Said of the Percheron Horse's Origin—Horses Used in Paris—Characteristics of the Percheron—Treatment of the Horse.

Senator Palmer, of Michigan, is an enthusiast on the Percheron horse, and quite a romance is connected with his love for it. The first Percherons he ever saw were painted ones, and they formed a part of Rosa Bonheur's noted picture, "The Horse Fair," which was hanging in Mrs. A. T. Stewart's picture gallery at the time.

"It is," said he, "the horse for the farmer. He can take it from the lumber wagon and use it in his carriage, and I have been told of instances where Percheron horses weighing 1,700 pounds have gone a mile in three minutes.

"The horses have been noted for years in France as good draft horses, and they were, about ten years ago, in general use in Paris as omnibus horses. At that time a team of them would take one of those heavy busses, with seats both inside and on the roof and filled with passengers, and drag it along at the rate of eight miles an hour over the asphalt.

"As to Percherons, there are millions of dollars already invested in the United States, and there is a gentleman named Dunham who has made a fortune out of them. He might be called the Percheron horse king. He has had as many as 500 Percherons on his farm at one time.

"The horses are generally of a dapple gray, though they may be black and now and then are bay or chestnut. They are a heavy horse, weighing 1,600 pounds and upward. They have a fine action, a fine skin, fine coats, great strength and great endurance for work and travel.

TREATMENT OF HORSES. "What is your theory for the treatment of horses? How should they be managed?"

"A horse should be treated just as you would a man or a boy. My carriage horses fared better at the hands of an old Englishman, who knew nothing about a horse, than with any other driver I have ever had.

"The Percheron horse," Senator Palmer went on, "has great powers of endurance. He has a fine knee action, and he is so full of intelligence that men treat him better than they do a duller horse.

Transplanting a Forest.

The count of Monte Cristo was the first to suggest the practicability of transplanting full grown forest trees.

Col. Johnson last summer erected a dwelling on the open ground near his garden, this side of Irvington; the sun's rays beat down on that house blisteringly, and the colonel concluded to protect it with trees.

Paris Picture Market. Never, probably, in the history of Paris has the picture market been in so depressed a state as it is at this moment.

The Distance of the Stars. The distance of the star Alpha Centauri may be stated in round numbers to be 20,000,000,000 miles.

Superior to Cremation. J. G. Meyers, a young inventor of Washington, has invented a plan which he believes to be superior to cremation, burial, or any other ancient or modern method of treating the dead bodies.

Taken at an Advantage. A Philadelphia man saw a club footed man under the influence of liquor, and kindly assisted him to the house where he said he lived and rang the door bell.

Scaring Off a Tramp. A little 10-year-old girl in Latrobe, Pa., was alone at home when a vicious looking tramp came to the door and asked for something to eat.

The Japanese Can't Swear. Col. George P. Bissell, of Hartford, Conn., spent last summer in Japan. The most remarkable feature of that country, he says, lies in the fact that its language contains no profane or blasphemous words.

Trick of a Bankrupt. An English bankrupt having pleaded that his failure was due to the default of the government of San Salvador in paying its obligations, the consul of that country has published a card announcing that his government has never suspended payment, and has no obligations abroad except a railroad loan, the interest upon which is paid promptly.

Slapping a Lady's Face.

Unfortunately the masher is not the only male nuisance in Brooklyn. A distant and much more offensive relative of his is the unknown ruffian, who, a few months ago, made his practices, although not his personality, notorious by maliciously soiling expensive gowns with tobacco juice in the neighborhood of Dr. Talmage's church.

A dozen men witnessed the assault, but the only one who took apparent notice of it confined his attention to the young lady and not to her assailant. "Oh, that was a terrible blow, miss, did it hurt you?" he said.

One more illustration may be useful. Comets, in general, revolve in very eccentric orbits. When a comet is in the perihelion of its orbit it is comparatively near to the earth; on the other hand, when it is at the aphelion it is remote.

Jewish Highlanders in the Caucasus. The Caucasian Jews are inordinately fond of green stuff, consuming it in quantities that amaze a stranger.

Morning Walk in the City. Somebody is always asking why business men do not more generally walk part of the way to their business every morning.

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