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TAX-PAYERS AND TAX-SHIRKERS

The Morals, or Rather Immorals, of Our Taxing System Show Up.

Property Worth \$11,000 Assessed at \$400.

The Gas Works, Inclusive of Lots, Machinery and Pipes, Assessed at \$11,000.

State Taxes Not Reduced by Low Valuations.

An Instructive Interview with the City Engineer in Which He Presents Facts and Quotes the Laws Governing Taxation.

"How are you progressing in the assessment discussion with Dr. Miller?" inquired a Bee reporter of the city engineer.

"Well, you can see for yourself. The Herald has reached that point in the discussion when names are applied to the disputants, and the essential features of the question studiously ignored."

Reporter—What do you refer to? City Engr.—I refer to the treatment of the main issue; namely, shall we raise our assessed values upon a basis of equity. In my former interview I stated that the taxes as now levied were based upon a most disgraceful system of falsification. I stated what Dr. Miller nor any one else can gainsay that to tax \$600 and \$800 lots in Hanscom addition at a valuation of \$25 each, and lands such as Miller and Richardson's, Turner's, Byron Reed's and others, valued from \$1,000 to \$2,000 per acre, at values of \$100, while at the same time the property of business men, of mechanics and the middle men generally is assessed at from one-half to one-third their value was an outrage. I advocated equalization, and in doing so stated that if property were equally taxed in the city the assessed value, even if based upon a fourth value, would raise our present valuation from seven millions to ten millions. This would reduce the rate of tax from 5 to less than 4 per cent. In other words it would reduce the taxes of the business men and middle men and raise the tax of the speculator to the same basis of that which is used by the real-estate business man and manufacturer.

Reporter—Are not the cases you allude to somewhat exceptional? City Engineer—No, sir. I need but refer you to a comparison of the assessed value of property and the published sales they have appeared in the daily papers. Here is what I have copied from the recent published sales of real estate:

Table with columns: Lot, Assessed value, and Sale price. Includes entries for Lot 11, bk 8, Kountze's 4th addition, etc.

This list is only a running sample of the disparaging ratio of assessment between improved city property and the lands and lots in the additions taken from the sales. But they do not begin to show the facts. For instance, lots 9 and 10, Bartlett's addition, for which \$10,000 was refused, and \$12,000 asked a short time ago, are assessed at \$200 each or \$400 altogether, one-twenty-fifth of their value. Lands of S. E. Rogers, Kountze, Reed and Drake and others, which are parcelled out in lots at from \$2,000 to \$4,000 per acre, are assessed at \$100 to \$300. The Omaha Gas company's works, covering three lots, buildings, pipe, etc., are assessed at a total of about \$11,000. The lots alone on which the works stand, not counting buildings or machinery, are worth \$15,000 and the pipe could not be had for \$100,000. The telephone company alone is assessed within \$2,000, 22 foot store, for instance, is assessed at \$6,700; Steel & Johnson at \$11,500; Heacock, \$5,200, and the Millard block occupied by Tootle & Man at \$15,000.

Reporter—Upon what basis do the assessors arrive at such strangely varied valuations?

I can't tell. Some of them, of course, are totally incompetent. The treasurer's account of the Fifth ward show the gas companies and other property usually taxed in each ward entirely omitted. I am informed the Fifth ward assessor's books are all muddled up and full of omissions, he being reported drunk half the time. However the whole system of assessment is based upon a licensed evasion of an official oath. We are told property must be assessed at one-third or one-fourth its value to avoid state taxes, and the assessors take that stand, yet they swear to make returns based upon full and correct value. Here is the assessor's oath, and I want every man to read it, and Dr. Miller to say whether or not a man can take it and honestly report \$500,000 of land at \$4,500 or \$600 lots at \$25, or from \$100,000 to \$200,000 of gas company property at \$11,000. State of Nebraska, County of sa. I, assessor, do solemnly swear that the book to which this is attached contains a correct and full list of all real and personal property subject to taxation in—, so far as I have been able to ascertain the same. That the value of all property, money and credits, of which a statement has been made and verified by the oath of the person required to list the same, is hereby truly returned as set forth in such statement, and that in every case where I have been required to ascertain the amount of value of the property of any person or body corporate, I have diligently and by the best means in my power endeavored, to ascertain the true amount and value, and that as I verily believe the full value thereof is set forth in the above returns—where the assessment has been corrected by a town board, except as corrected by the town board, and that in no case have I knowingly omitted to demand of any person of whom I was required to make it, a statement of the amount and value of his property which he was required by law to list, nor have I connived at any violation or evasion of any of the requirements of the law in relation to the assessment of property for taxation. The only possible means to hide property under fictitious values is under a system of under-valuation. The excuse for it is that it will save the means in my power, and endeavor, to ascertain the true amount and value, and that as I verily believe the full value thereof is set forth in the above returns—where the assessment has been corrected by a town board, except as corrected by the town board, and that in no case have I knowingly omitted to demand of any person of whom I was required to make it, a statement of the amount and value of his property which he was required by law to list, nor have I connived at any violation or evasion of any of the requirements of the law in relation to the assessment of property for taxation.

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THE MORAL OF THE PRACTICE. If any man were to go upon the witness stand in court and swear falsely to save himself from a pecuniary judgment, every man would pronounce him a perjurer, and upon conviction he could be sent to the penitentiary. Yet here are men, who, in the state who are told to violate their oaths that their constituency may rob the state of its share of taxes. Will the editor of the only religious journal explain the difference between perjury to rob the state and perjury to rob a railroad company or an individual. Of what use are all our churches that teach our youth moral ethics when not a preacher will raise his voice against public theft or public perjury? And yet the strongest part of all this is that the rate of valuation has nothing to do with state taxes, for the state would be in a sad predicament indeed if any part of it could escape its share by placing a fictitious value upon its property. To demonstrate that such a thing is impossible, I refer you to section 74, page 418, of the compiled statutes of Nebraska of 1881.

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION "POWERS."

The governor, auditor of public accounts and treasurer, or the majority of them, shall constitute the state board of equalization, and said board of equalization shall hold a session at the capital of the state commencing on the third Monday of July in each year, and it shall be the duty of said board to examine the various county assessments and to decide upon the rate of the state tax. The state school tax and the state sinking fund tax to be levied for the current year, together with any other general or special taxes required by law to be levied, and to equalize and make the levy of such taxes throughout the state. But such equalization shall be by varying the rate of taxation on the different counties in case the said board of equalization are satisfied that the scale of valuation has not been adjusted with reasonable uniformity by the different assessors. For advocating public health and economy and for advocating an equalization of taxes so that every man, rich and poor alike, shall bear his just burden of taxes dollar for dollar, I am called a hoodlum. No man will do me good or have any apprehensions that epithet may seem, as between being an advocate of fraud and one of those who seek wealth by shirking a just share in the expenses by which that wealth is secured and thereby are termed respectable, and being an advocate of my honest convictions and of measures that recognize all persons on a basis of equality before the law and for that I have classified a hoodlum I prefer being a hoodlum.

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SARATOGA.

The School Exhibition a Decided Success.

The exhibition of our school last evening was a decided success and reflects great credit on Prof. Bally, who has labored with untiring zeal for its accomplishment. The time used in preparation was limited so that perfection was not expected but all did well, there being hardly a perceptible break during the entire programme, all of which makes it more difficult to criticize, indeed almost impossible to do it justice in our limited space.

The address of welcome by Miss Laura Eiton was clearly spoken and well received. Master Charley Hair Deo's declamation, entitled "The Scottish Boy" was the best of the evening and worthy of high praise. That by Master Eton, entitled "Ten Little Pigs" was nicely executed and another entitled "The City of the Living," was well rendered by Miss Jessie Lawto, being one of the features of the evening.

Among the choros recitations, of which there were a number, "The we Chicken" and "Bart are Freiticht" are worthy of mention. The skits, "The Modern Red Riding Hood," which Prof. Bailey took the part of the professional burglar, was a real piece of acting, taken from an amateur point of view, and it is evident from his success last evening in a difficult role that he was more than ordinary talent as an actor.

Miss Mary Gronig sustained her part very creditably as Red Riding Hood. Miss Jennie Patrick, in the character of Betsy Merrick, in the dialogue entitled "An Awful Mystery," was some good acting, sharing the honor with David Christie, who was exceptionally good as Pat, the Irish man.

The above are a few of the merits, and we regret that space all records so successful an exhibit MARCH 17, 1888. CERRICK

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A Card of Thanks from Mrs. Armstrong.

OMAHA, Neb., March 13.

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I wish to acknowledge the receipt of \$2,000 paid to me on the death of my son, and to tender my devout thanks for the benefit you have bestowed upon me.

I shall ever feel a sincere regard for your order, hope there will be a special providence over you in all hours, and may this favor have a return to you in true benevolence.

May God bless and prosper the order of the Knights of Honor. I would further tender my sincere thanks for your sympathy and assistance through the sickness, death and burial of my son, and with an earnest wish for the prosperity of your noble order, I remain, Very gratefully, REBECCA ARMSTRONG.

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FAREWELL SOCIABLE

The Coming Departure of the Christian Church Pastor.

There was a very large attendance at the Y. M. C. A. rooms Friday on the occasion of the farewell sociable given in honor of Rev. J. W. Ingram, for some time past in charge of the Christian church at this place and shortly to leave for his new field of labor in California.

The loss of this favored pastor is much regretted by his many friends here, not only in but outside of the congregation, but his going is to some degree necessitated on account of the health of his family.

The Earnest Workers furnished elegant entertainments, and a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by all, only marred by the coming departure of their pastor. The pleasure of the evening was very much increased by several vocal selections by Mr. J. W. Wilkins, who, with his wife, accompanies Mr. Ingram to California.

Mr. Richard Bosworth, of Bristol, R. I., while climbing a fence was struck in the small of the back by a heavy rail falling upon him. He was rendered helpless. St. Jacobs Oil was applied to the wounds, and in two days after Mr. Bosworth was entirely well.

Emmet Monument Association.

At a meeting of the Emmet Monument Association the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, We, the Emmet Monument Association, are greatly indebted to the ladies and gentlemen whose able and generous assistance contributed so much to the gratifying success of our celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Ireland's beloved patriot martyr, Robert Emmet; be it

RESOLVED, That our warmest thanks are and hereby tendered Hon. M. V. Gassaway, of Davenport, Iowa, for his prompt, judicious and eloquent address.

RESOLVED, That we appreciate the accomplished manner in which Miss Clara Pierce, the double quartette from the Omaha Glee club, and the A. O. H. band, acquitted themselves in their several parts.

RESOLVED, That we are in an especial manner indebted to Hon. James E. Boyd, because of his many courtesies and attentions on that evening to the gentlemanly management and polite attaches of his opera house.

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be published in THE BEE, Herald and Republican, and also that a copy of them be sent to each person and organization mentioned above.

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Millions of Bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colic, have been given away as Trial Bottles. This generous offer is a real boon to the afflicted, and a real trial bottle free, and try for yourself, never fails to cure.

A Dog Talks by the Telephone.

Harford Courant. A Danielsonville man lost his coach dog the other day, but it was found and recognized by friends. They called him up the other day by telephone, and asked him if he had lost a dog. Receiving the reply "Yes, where is he?" they bade him "call him," placing the dog's ear at the machine. The animal at once began to yelp and lick the machine most fondly, and his master, recognizing the familiar bark of his pet, was soon on hand to claim him.

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