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IT GIVES THEM THE SHIVERS

While there is little danger of mischief being wrought by the incongruous alliance of which Senator Bailey is the leader, business organizations or their members throughout the country would do well to again enter emphatic protest against even the discussion of this monarchical and inquisitorial form of taxation. The objections to it are such that every intelligent man familiar with its workings during the period of the civil war shivers at the very mention of "income tax." It would put a premium upon perjury, promote blackmail, put every honest merchant at a disadvantage compared with unscrupulous competitors and through an army of hireling spies would place the domestic and business secrets of respectable citizens at the disposal of their enemies and business rivals.—New York Herald.

This paragraph is a fair expression of the feelings of those who oppose an income tax, and it might be worth while to consider who they are. Investigation will show that every one of them is now a tax-dodger, in the sense that he does not pay an equitable part of the expense of supporting the government. It is not the small householder, not the salaried man who objects to the income tax. He is already paying proportionately more than his share, for his property cannot escape the assessor. It is the owner of stocks and bonds, the manipulator of the markets, the promoter of schemes to filch the public for personal gain. One such now under arrest in Chicago had an income of \$100,000 during the last six months. It is the merchant princes and importers, the corporation magnates, the sporting men of the country—all those whose income, legitimate or illegitimate, is far beyond their earning capacity, who "shiver" at the prospect of an income tax.

To characterize it as "monarchical" is simply bosh. Republican France has a graded income tax; so also has England, which, though nominally a monarchy, is actually more responsive to the will of the people than is even the United States. The truth is, that in the most autocratic countries, like Russia, the privileged bureaucracy escape their share of taxation even better than do the favored classes in this country. A properly adjusted income tax will make no honest man shiver, but it might relieve the man of moderate means of some burdens and thus aid him in

providing warm clothing that will keep himself and family from shivering.—South Bend Times.

SEVENTEEN GRADUATE

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telling one interesting anecdote after the other and only ceasing to intermingle some quaint truth in such a way that the audience grasped it instantly. At times he seemed awkward, purposely so; at others he had the grace of a polished actor; anyway he was great to hear, and we would like to repeat the dose any time its convenient to the speaker. He divided his subject into three parts; first, "Day dreams, what are they?" Second, "Their relation to reality." Third, "Can they be realized?" Dr. Wikersham contended that no man or woman ever accomplished anything without having first dreamed it in his youth's soul and as illustrations he referred to the lives of Isaac Newton, Henry Clay, ex-president James A. Garfield and others who, when but lads following the plow or doing some to dismiss the audience the banner was loosened and fell to the floor, with which act the class took their places in the real college of life. Immediately after the exercises, a reception was held at the library building, where the members of the class received the congratulations of their friends and where a delightfully happy hour was spent in an informally social way. During the time punch was served and also a light luncheon including ice cream, cake, etc., this duty being daintily looked after by eight little girls, the Misses Veda and Leah Hensley, Winifred Ellingham, Bertha Hilpot, Reba Quinn, Dorothy Dugan, Gladys Meyers and Glenys Mangold. It was a pleasant commencement event and will be long remembered by the graduates and their friends.

NOBLE LIFE ENDED

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her every duty. It is indeed sad to lose the companionship of Mrs. Burdge and with the bereaved relatives are innumerable friends who share in the sorrow which has befallen the community.

ADMITTED TO BAIL

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tendent Smith, of that institution permitted him to be brought back to Bluffton, but did not discharge him as cured.

AT MY FEED YARD, corner Monroe and Third St., have started a liver, barn in connection with the feed yard. First class rigs and prompt service will be rendered. Have also first class dry baled wheat straw for sale. Call by phone or personal at Ernst-Slickman's office. 129-3t

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SOCIETY COLUMN

Mr. and Mrs. Baumgartner
Entertained Friends at
Dinner

THE SOCIAL NOTES

Several Church Societies
Will Meet Tomorrow
Afternoon

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Baumgartner
entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Huff-
man, of Bluffton, at dinner today.

The Senior dance will be given Monday evening, May 21, at the K. C. hall. The decorations will be in purple and gold. A large number of people will be in attendance and all are looking forward to a pleasant time.

The Thimble Club will meet with Miss Fannie Hite Monday afternoon at her home on Winchester street.

There is not much doing at present in the social world, although there will be meetings of several of the women's clubs next week.

Friends of the couples who will in the near future plight their vows as man and wife are planning showers which will soon occur.

The Pythian Sisters are expecting the time of their life Monday night when candidates will be initiated into the order.

The Oratorical Circle of the Y. P. C. U. of the United Brethren church will meet tomorrow evening. Good speeches and music are on the program. The public is invited.

After making a several days' visit in the city as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Peters, Mrs. W. H. Leas returned to her home at Waterloo this morning.

There is but little doing in police circles at present. Law violators are few and far between.

STREET LIGHTS.

How Throughfares Were Illuminated
In the Seventeenth Century.

Lighting the streets of a large city in olden times was a far different thing from the illumination of our thoroughfares now. In 1661 the streets of London were directed to be lighted with candles or lanterns by every householder fronting the main road from nightfall to 9 o'clock, the hour of going to bed.

In the last year of King Charles II.'s reign one Edward Henning obtained the right to light the streets with lanterns placed over every tenth door from 6 o'clock on moonless evenings until midnight between October and April.

During the reign of Queen Anne in July, 1780, Mr. Michael Coke introduced globular glass lamps with oil burners instead of the former glimmering lanterns. In 1716 an act was passed which enjoined every householder to furnish a light before his door from 6 to 11 o'clock at night, except on evenings between the seventh night of each moon and the third after it reached its full.

In a few years a company was formed to light the street from 8 o'clock till midnight, each householder to pay poor rates being required to contribute for this purpose 6 shillings a year.

Gaslight, at its introduction in the beginning of the last century, presented such a novel spectacle to the eyes of foreign ambassadors that they were vain enough to imagine that the brilliant lamps were a part of a general illumination to celebrate their arrival.—Harper's.

Light and Pain.

"Light is good for toothache," said the doctor. "Darkness is bad for it. If you are a toothache sufferer, haven't you often noticed how the pain in your jaw increases when late at night you turn off the lamp and try to sleep? Light, you see, is good for the toothache. There are a number of diseases it is good for—asthma, cold in the head, earache. These diseases in the dark all grow worse.

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REV. I. W. WILLIAMSON'S LETTER

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The undersigned merchants will close at twelve o'clock Monday for the rest of the day:
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Hower & Hower.

We will close our lumber yards during the entire day Monday on account of it being Decoration Day:
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RUDOLPH, THE CRIPPLE.

As Produced by the Don C. Hall Dramatic Co.—Highly Appreciated.

It was an emphatic expression of those who witnessed the production of "Rudolph the Cripple" at the opera house Thursday evening that it was not only one of the best of its kind, but the best that has ever been produced on a Lowell stage, and the pity is that it was not a crowded house. It was in every sense highly moral, refined and a literary attainment of high order. Mr. Don C. Hall, who took the part of Rudolph, the cripple, which is the principal part, is certainly a tragedian of first water, and makes his acting realistic by the intense manner in which he throws his whole life into it, being oblivious to every surrounding, but with his entire thoughts concentrated on his work. From a miserable, persecuted cripple in the streets of Florence, Italy, he becomes a sculptor of fame and riches. During his humble stage he seizes a babe from the arms of a woman who had been stabbed and was supposed to be dead, and flees with it, and lives and toils for it, and during the stages in which the child develops into beautiful womanhood he guarded and protected her with jealous love, and is sorely grieved and resentful when a lover enters the life of the fair one. The Duke of Castello, who proves to be the father of the child, seeks to kidnap her for no good purpose, not knowing it was his daughter and is stabbed to death by Rudolph, who is cast into prison. The girl's lover, who casts her aside on learning her identity, causes her to take poison, dying in the arms of Rudolph who escapes and returns to his home in chains. The scenes all the wall through portray a story of designing treachery and ambition on one hand, self-denial and love of justice on the other, and Mr. Hall easily reached the dramatic climax sought. He is supported by an exceedingly strong company of ladies and gentlemen. The specialties were also praiseworthy, Mr. McDonald the bass soloist, who greatly pleased the audience with two well rendered songs, and Master Walter Hall, whose songs were pleasing and catchy.—Lowell Journal. Bosses opera house all next week.

IT IS EXCITING MUCH INTEREST HERE.
Astonishing Good is Being Done All Over the State.

AFTER FOUR YEARS OF MISERY

COURT HOUSE NEWS

A Short Session Was Held
in the Adams Circuit
Court this Morning

VARIOUS TRANSFERS

A Marriage License Issued—
Amended Complaint Filed
in Watkins Case

F. M. Schirmeyer, trustee, vs. William Beachler, \$150 on contract, appearance by Hooper & Lenhart for defendant, rule to answer.

John W. Watkins vs. John W. Melchers, suit demanding \$6,000 for alienation of wife's affections, amended complaint filed, demurrer filed to amended complaint.

John W. Parrish, guardian for Anna and Lola Parrish, filed his current account, which was allowed.

Real estate transfers: Simon L. Grace to al to James H. Armstrong, 49 acres Wabash township, \$3,800; Simon L. Grace et al to Franklin S. Armstrong, 45 acres, Wabash township, \$2,500; George Angemeyer to Josephine Lengerich, lot 48 Decatur, \$1.00.

A marriage license was issued to Fredrick Burk, aged 26, a Jay county farmer, to F. Elizabeth Brewster, aged 27, daughter of George W. Brewster, of Jefferson township. The bride was married once before, and was divorced in 1904.

AFTER FOUR YEARS OF MISERY

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