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Tax Exemptions.

In a single article, in an independent newspaper, it is, of course, impossible to discuss the question of tax exemptions fully; but still enough may be said to show that exemptions from taxation are wrong in principle and add material to the burden of those who are not so well able as others to pay their yearly taxes.

Suppose for instance, all property whether belonging to the Church or State was taxed. Suppose that all Dominion or Local Government property, all church, all salaries, and all the other twenty five classes of exemptions, were taxed, what would be the condition of affairs?

Acton Village Council.

The Council met, pursuant to adjournment, in Matthews Hall, on Thursday evening, 7th inst. All the members present. The Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Clerk read communications from James Matthews, stating that the Council could not occupy the hall on Thursday nights, and asking the Council to change the evening for their meetings; from Geo. Forbes, applying for the office of constable; and from Christopher Masalas, applying for the office of constable.

The War News.

The rumors respecting the probable entry of the British fleet into the Bosphorus is the subject of numerous sensational and conflicting reports. We are informed from various sources that the Admiral in command of the fleet at present in the Levant has received instructions, if it be found necessary, to force his way up the Dardanelles; that the forts along the shore have been ordered to fire upon the British vessels if they should attempt to pass the Straits; that torpedoes are being laid out in the straits.

Channel squadron has also been ordered to proceed at once to Gibraltar to await further orders. There seems to be good reason for believing that the Porte will grant the firmans asked for by the Powers, three of which, however, viz., France, Italy and Germany will decline to send vessels to the scene.

Austria still insists on this privilege, and her relations with Russia have been further involved by the receipt of a note from St. Petersburg, stating that among the questions withdrawn from the consideration of the Conference are the reorganization and occupation of Bulgaria, and the retrocession of Bessarabia.

It was reported on Tuesday that the Russian Ambassador at Paris had already arrived at Constantinople, accompanied by a small detachment of troops. Another despatch—from Vienna—dated the Russian entry Wednesday. In the event of the passage of the Dardanelles by the British fleet, it is stated that the Greek troops who have evacuated Thessaly and Epirus will at once re-occupy that territory.

Disturbances are reported from Syria, culminating in the exile of several leading inhabitants of Damascus.

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Teachers' Convention.

SAT., Jan. 26.—Morning Session. The President in the chair. The members who were present yesterday attended to-day. Several new arrivals added interest to the meeting.

Messrs. Cooper, Husband, Dr. Lusk, McDonald and Coates had considerable discussion on the subject of "School Discipline."

A Disciple of Christ.

I was amused last Thursday morning, when your interesting paper came to hand, to see some of my statements, last Sabbath evening, had already become patent. Those who heard my statements and have read the article which appeared in your issue's paper, written by "A Disciple of Christ," will have no difficulty in calling to remembrance what I mean by some of my statements becoming patent so soon.

the great interests committed to teachers in the training of young minds and hearts, it became us at all times to consider what manner of men we were, and constantly strive to discharge the duties pertaining to our trust in such a manner that we shall not have to reproach ourselves with carelessness or negligence.

Dr. Lusk thought it good at all times to follow, as an example, a good home education. Mr. R. Stewart gave his experience of a case of truancy radically cured by confidence.

Mr. Davidson understood those feelings alluded to by Mr. Stewart and Dr. Lusk, but thought the red should not be rejected—read if you can, if not, you must drive.

Correspondence.

It is not to be understood that we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

The Skating Rink.

I was present at the Methodist Church on Sunday evening last and heard the remarks of the Rev. Mr. Hobbs concerning the skating rink.

Mr. Phillips, village clerk of Blyth, refuses to accept the office of Clerk and Treasurer at a salary of \$50 per annum.

Pringle's Jewellery Store.

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only possible time which John could have had for baptizing was about 27 days, or 1362 hours, allowing that he could stand in the water, up to the middle, six hours per day for the above length of time, he would have to baptize 4304 per hour, or about 72 per minute. This reminds me of an argument I heard of some time ago used by an immersionist, and I must confess that it is as good as any as ever I heard of proving immersion. The argument runs as follows: "We read, dear friends, that John the baptist was a garment of camel's hair, and his garment of camel's hair was water-proof, so that his very garment proves that he immersed."

Mr. D. Crowson's Challenge. To the Editor of the Free Press. DEAR SIR,—I received by note, and also through the columns of your interesting paper, an invitation from Mr. L. D. Crowson, to discuss the subject of Christian Baptism.

I would like to know how a person can become a Disciple of Christ and not do as Christ commanded. Christ says, "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you." Christ commands us to "obey the scriptures," etc. Christ expounded into them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. Paul tells us that the gospel was preached to Abraham, and that those who believe are blessed with faithful Abraham, &c. &c., and yet a person calling himself "A Disciple of Christ," tells us that he does not "go to the Old Testament, only when drawn there," etc. We say that the blessing of Abraham has come upon us, and that we are "back to Abraham," as "Disciple of Christ" asserts, but Abraham comes down to us. Surely this is another instance of putting the cart before the horse.

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went on at the carnival to justify any person in saying that carnivals are what Mr. Hobbs represented them to be; and, as for closing at a reasonable hour, although it was a little late in closing on the evenings of the opening and carnival, it is a rule with the promoters to close punctually at ten o'clock. This rule has always been carried out to the very letter, as far as I could see.

AN OCCASIONAL SKATER. Acton, Feb. 13, 1878. Mr. L. D. Crowson's Challenge. To the Editor of the Free Press. DEAR SIR,—I received by note, and also through the columns of your interesting paper, an invitation from Mr. L. D. Crowson, to discuss the subject of Christian Baptism.

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DEAD. In Exequies, on the 11th inst. Miss Harriet Newell, daughter of John B. Newell, Esq.

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ACORN MARKETS. Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2 50 to 3 00. Fall Wheat, 1 15 to 1 20. Spring Wheat, 0 75 to 1 05. Sprouted Spring Wheat, 0 75 to 1 00. Barley, 0 50 to 0 60. Oats, 0 30 to 0 34. Beans, 0 40 to 0 65. Butter (fresh rolls), 0 15 to 0 16. Butter (salted rolls), 0 12 to 0 15. Lard (light), 0 10 to 0 10. Lard (dark), 0 08 to 0 09. Eggs (new laid), 0 14 to 0 15. Chickens, 0 05 to 0 05. Geese, 0 05 to 0 05. Turkeys, 0 06 to 0 05. Potatoes, per bag, 0 09 to 0 10. Apples, per bag, 0 75 to 0 90. Hops, per ton, 10 00 to 12 70. Dicks, 40 to 60.

GUELPH MARKETS. Special to the Free Press, per Dominion List. Guelph, Feb. 14th, 1878. Flour, per 100 lbs. \$2 50 to 3 00. White Wheat, per bush, 1 15 to 1 20. Freshwell do, 1 10 to 1 15. Spring Wheat, 0 80 to 1 00. Oats, 0 32 to 0 33. Barley, 0 45 to 0 50. Hay, per ton, 10 00 to 12 00. Eggs, per doz., 0 17 to 0 18. Butter, per lb., 0 15 to 0 16. Potatoes, per bag, 0 09 to 0 10. Hops, per cwt, 4 25 to 6 00. Chickens per pair, 0 05 to 0 09. Geese, 0 05 to 0 05. Turkeys, 0 06 to 0 05. Ducks, 40 to 60.

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