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single individual among them all, probably, could be

found who does not sincerely wish there was no need

sity for taxing tobacco, and who does not look longingly

forward to the time when this article will be as free from

taxation as it used to be in the good old days that are

luxury, for tobacco is with the consumer as much an article of necessity as tea or coffee." We are all too much in the habit of writing and talking in this loose way; often going further, and declaring that it is as much of a necessity to some men as food and raiment. But no good purpose is served by this species of stultification. Tobacco has been selected by the common wisdom and consent of mankind as a proper subject of taxation, because it is an article of general consumption by all classes, and therefore capable of yielding a large revenue; but, at the same time, an article that can be dispensed with without detriment, and the payment of tax by that means avoided.

This is the philosophy of the luxury theory, and if always remembered, a good deal of useful space and breath might be saved.

A few years ago the objects of taxation in this country under the internal revenue laws numbered several hundred, while for nearly two years last past they have numbered exactly five; as follows: spirituous liquors, malt liquors, tobacco, banks, and stamped instruments. Twenty cents a pound tax on manufactured tobacco is not a light burden, but would any body be the gainer by exchanging the present simplified plan of taxation for the former diffuse plan, or trusting to an amended tariff law, as suggested?

We look forward to a considerable reduction in the tax-rate for tobacco, but do not anticipate any for some time yet; or until there is an increased consumption equal to the percentage of decline in the amount of tax, as it will be strenuously maintained that the requirements of the Government will demand about the same revenue as is now derived from this source.

Col. Hubbard asks, "Why repeal the internal tax on the manufacture of cotton and wool and retain, and re-adjust it, for a larger revenue, on tobacco?" The inquiry is pertinent, but the obvious answer would hardly be satisfactory to him. He also asks, "Why retain this unprecedented tax of 200 per cent. upon manufactured tobacco raised in the United States, while on the \$3, 321, 601.19 of imported foreign tobacco the Government collects a duty of only \$6,291,317.53, or a tax on foreign imported tobacco of about 75 per cent.?" Either these figures are wrong, or the Colonel's percentage is erroneously calculated. If they are right as printed, then the duty collected on the imported tobacco is about 189 per cent. instead of 75. But let us examine this allegation. The duty on Havana tobacco is a specific one of 35 cents gold per pound. The tax on domestic leaf is nothing at all, but on manufactured tobacco it is 20 cents a pound, equal to about 16 cents currency a pound on leaf. The foreign article is therefore taxed more than double the rate imposed on the domestic article; besides being again taxed on conversion into cigars at the rate of twenty cents a pound, allowing 25 pounds of leaf to the thousand cigars. Further: the duty on imported cigars ranges all the way from \$30 to \$50.00, or thereabouts, gold, per thousand, the rate being \$2.50 per pound, plus 25 per cent. *ad valorem*. It requires no cyphering to show that the tax on foreign leaf in this connection is something enormous in comparison with that levied indirectly on domestic leaf. And to this must be added 20 cents more per pound by way of internal tax. An example will show the discrimination in favor of domestic leaf. One hundred pounds of Havana tobacco converted into 4,000 cigars in the United States would represent \$35 gold duty plus \$3.50 premium, plus \$20 internal revenue tax—equal to \$58.50. One hundred pounds of domestic leaf converted into 4,000 cigars represents \$20 internal revenue tax, no more, no less; showing a difference of \$38.50 in favor of the latter. The same converted into manufactured tobacco would represent from \$16 to \$20, according as it was made, into chewing or smoking.

That a tax of 20 cents a pound affects consumption in some degree there can be no doubt; a lower rate would have a proportionate effect. But that it affects it so disastrously as is assumed in the address under review will scarcely be conceded upon reflection, as the consumption of the country is steadily increasing.

Colonel Hubbard asks, "Why persist in an extreme and ruinous system of taxation that prevents the American consumption of tobacco from keeping pace with foreign consumption?" In 1842 our exports of tobacco were valued at \$7,500,000, in 1873 at \$25,331,946. Home consumption valued in 1842 at \$7,500,000, ditto in 1873, \$16,000,000.

These statistics remind one of the Department of Agriculture, but conceding that they are not altogether wrong, it is not a partial explanation of the poor exhibit of this country to say, that the number of consumers is somewhat greater in all the rest of this world than it is in the United States alone, and that prices are generally higher abroad than here.

One other observation may with propriety be made: producers do not, as is claimed, pay the tax, or any part of it, either in reduced prices or diminished consumption. The tax on tobacco is entirely paid by consumers; manufacturers, who alone appear to pay it, merely advancing the amount in the first instance.

MINOR EDITORIALS.

REMARKABLE SCHOOL CHILDREN.—In a catalogue of a recent auction sale a lot of chairs were advertised as having been "used by children without backs."

RED AND BLACK.—Punch says that *rouge et noir* still flourishes near the Rhine, the *rouge* on the cheeks and the *noir* on the eyebrows.

A NOVEL ALARM.—It is said that a St. Albans cat is a sure but painful burglar alarm. When she hears an unusual noise in the house she scratches her master's face until he awakes.

CHEERFUL MATRIMONIAL CUSTOMS.—Minicopic widows carry about with them till re-married the skull of the deceased spouse. Hurtralrian widows do likewise, but use the cranium in Byron's fashion as a drinking vessel.

THE MARBURG FIRE.—Our Baltimore correspondents telegraph us the following revised statement of their account of the Marburg fire in our last issue: "The machinery of the Messrs. Marburg Bros. was very slightly damaged by the recent fire and by moving into another building and working night and day they were able to commence filling orders on the third day after their misfortune. Fortunately but a small proportion of their fine stock of old tobacco was stored in the burned building. They lost some 150,000 lbs. but still have about four times that quantity safe and in good condition."

THE TOBACCO MARKET.

DOMESTIC.

Western Leaf.—The market has been very quiet this month, the sales amounting to 1,008 hds, of which 400 leaf to Italy and 300 lugs, one Western speculator to another. We note no change in prices. Several letters have been received here lately from various sections intimating prospective scarcity and unsoundness of seed. While little importance is attached to such rumors, yet after last year's experience our dealers are not disposed to make light of Western reports, and as this is a subject on which they are ignorant we would be pleased to learn if there is any foundation for the rumor.

1st week.	2d week.	3d week.	4th week.	5th week.	Total.
January... 668	942	958	832	---	3,400
February... 425	351	410	614	---	2,000
March... 375	892	733	500	---	2,500
April... 287	535	1,414	711	853	3,800
May... 538	1,011	878	792	781	4,000
June... 849	4,246	6,636	4,276	---	13,000
July... 3,199	4,818	4,636	2,891	2,456	18,000
August... 1,345	2,277	3,808	4,113	4,307	16,000
Septem. 4,325	4,434	4,538	3,577	4,926	21,500
October 4,359	3,431	3,557	3,340	---	18,500
Novem. 2,090	1,867	2,063	2,157	---	8,200
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Virginia Leaf.—The week has been one of moderate activity in the leaf tobacco market, though in Virginia leaf not a great deal has been done. Some sales of this variety are reported, including among other descriptions a lot of primings. The latter have approximated so closely in quality to lugs this season that they have received more than ordinary attention from manufacturers, as they might have done from exporters. Their sound condition and general desirableness, together with the high prices of kindred grades, makes it the more unfortunate that they are not now in larger supply. They are selling at 60¢/7¢ cents.

As for the other sales, they may be called chiefly remnants hunted up in the temporary absence of better sorts.

Business generally is confined to the regular trade, the market being now entirely rid of the speculative element that characterized it for a while. Buyers from out of town in quest of quick and sudden fortunes are no longer met at every turn as one journey through the streets, or looks into the warehouses, as they were in the halcyon September and October days now departed. And if here and there a lingering couple is occasionally seen they attract no more attention than if the grand campaign of the summer, in which they may have performed prodigies of commercial enterprise and daring, was a thing unknown. *Sic transit.*

The uncertainty of human affairs, promises, and intentions receives fresh illustration in the purchases made during the week, with others in contemplation, on Italian account. The announcement that enough tobacco to last that Government till 1876 was secured had hardly attained a single day's growth when fresh sales were effected for the use and benefit of King Victor Emanuel's subjects. The circular of Messrs. Sawyer, Wallace & Co. reviews the trade of November as follows:

American Leaf Tobacco.—Receipts in November, 1874, (including 367 Virginia, 6,881 hds; 1873, 3,976 hds. Since 1st January, 1874, (including 9,704 Virginia) 121,304 hds; 1873, 111,193 hds, including New Orleans receipts of Western Crop are 120,231 hds this year, against 124,823 hds last year. Exports in November, 1874, 3,803 hds; 1873, 5,854 hds. Since 1st January, 1874, 20,367 hds; 1873, 92,102 hds. Including New Orleans, they are 82,415 hds this year, against 113,056 hds last year. Sales in November, 1874, 8,200 hds; 1873, 3,300 hds. Since 1st January, 1874, 110,900 hds; 1873, 51,000 hds. Including New Orleans they are 129,670 hds this year, against 69,870 hds last year. Although the sales do not amount to one-half those of the preceding month, the deficiency has been almost entirely in speculative dealings, which amount to only 610 hogsheds, against 9,377 in October. The legitimate demand has been steady and large for the season, being two or three times our usual average. Exporters have been the principal buyers, taking 5,178 hds. Perhaps 1,500 hds of this was dry Missouri Leaf for England, at 14¢/16¢, the latter sales showing an improvement of 1¢ per lb. The remainder was principally Italian Regie Leaf, of which some 1,500 hds were purchased by the Contractor during the last few days. The home trade has been quiet, manufacturers taking 775 hds, and most of this went to Virginia. This demand seems to be largely increasing, and takes very superior quality Green River and Mason County Leaf; Cutters, 788 hds, at 15¢/17¢, for Mason, and 15¢/20¢, for Green River; Jobbers, 850. Prices have been very uniform, and we make only a few alterations to apply to strict selections, which are getting scarce. Stock in Liverpool, Nov. 1st, 1874, 33,800 hds; 1873, 29,025 hds; 1872, 19,121 hds; 1871, 20,007 hds. Stock in London, Nov. 1st, 1874, 18,330 hds; 1873, 15,138 hds; 1872, 15,154 hds; 1871, 19,288 hds; 1870, 15,404 hds. Stock in Bremen, Nov. 1st, 1874, 2,644 hds; 1873, 4,742 hds; 1872, 8,725 hds; 1871, 4,336 hds; 1870, 1,025 hds. Stock in New Orleans, Nov. 25th, 1874, 4,072 hds; 1873, 17,735 hds; 1872, 15,688 hds; 1871, 18,711 hds; 1870, 7,604 hds. Stock in Baltimore, Nov. 28th, 1874, 15,874 hds; 1873, 16,724 hds; 1872, 9,085 hds; 1871, 18,101 hds; 1870, 11,897 hds. Stock in New York, Dec. 1st, 1874, 50,067 hds; 1873, 14,455 hds; 1872, 10,833 hds; 1871, 18,733 hds; 1870, 19,788 hds. Total, 1874, 125,802 hds; 1873, 92,419 hds; 1872, 64,066 hds; 1871, 77,285 hds; 1870, 74,644 hds. The English markets continue to improve, being assisted by a Continental demand, which withdrew 1,100 hds good substantial leaf, mostly intended for their African trade. Bremen maintains its position firmly for good stock, with very little on sale. The trade with the North is about over, and we must expect a quieter market for some time. The Western markets have been very firm, with a strong upward tendency in bright sweet stock suitable for manufacturers. Round lots of re-dried Green River have sold freely at 20¢. In Louisville, which is more than they would bring here, and the stock is almost exhausted. It is now evident that the West has sent too much of her home stock to the seaboard, and will have to call for some of it back before long.

The great feature of the past month was the flight of the Western locusts from the tobacco market, either to their quiet homes or to the Cotton Exchange. Our warmest sympathies go with these worthy friends who have done us all a good turn, and we are happy to know that they are doing well in their new sphere of operations. We learned from one recently that they were all making money in cotton, and inquired which side they were on, "long or short?" "Oh, both," was the reply, "we're about equally divided between Bulls and Bears."

"And you are both making money?" "Oh, yes," which shows that fortune continues to favor the brave. Their absence gives us leisure to review the tobacco situation, which seems stronger the more it is considered. Like the note offered by the Quaker for discount in a panic, "the principal will not hold out." Still we are sorry to see the new crop selling at extravagant prices, the Illinois crop being bought up at an average of 12 cents. Surely there cannot be profit enough in this to compensate for the anxiety attending its realization. Just read this telegram which appears in this morning's papers: "Rome, Nov. 30.—No bids for the supply of tobacco to the Government will be asked for this fiscal year. The Tobacco Administration gives notice that it has amassed sufficient stock for 1875." Now as this is not signed by the Pope we do not consider it infallible, and it looks suspicious coming just when large purchases are being made for that market. Still there is enough in it to

justify a prudent caution, especially when connected with their large purchases of substitutes mentioned in our last. Then there is Spain failing to award after three trials. Perhaps she has also "amassed sufficient stock," or has not sufficient money to pay for it, which amounts to the same thing. Oh the happiness of the man who can say "I have made enough for two years, and I mean to enjoy it!"

Exports of tobacco from New York from Oct. 31st to Nov. 28th, 1874, inclusive.—Great Britain, 1,274 hds; France, 241 do; North of Europe, 1,096 do; North of Europe, stems, 125 do; South of Europe, 1,000 do; West Indies and South America, 40 do. Other foreign ports, 27 hds; total, 3,803 do. From the circular of M. Fred. Fischer we collate the following synopsis of exports from New York and New Orleans from January 1st to December 31st, inclusive: Great Britain, 1874, 39,585 hds; 1873, 16,138 do; 1872, 34,671 do; 1871, 31,882 do. France 1874, 12,304 hds; 1873, 8,577 do; 1872, 13,271 do; 1871, 7,412 do. Bremen and Hamburg 1874, 23,295 hds; 1873, 17,747 do; 1872, 23,565 do; 1871, 17,902 do. Antwerp and Holland 1874, 6,962 hds; 1873, 1,901 do; 1872, 3,520 do; 1871, 3,907 do. Spain and Portugal 1874, 1,001 hds; 1873, 9,003 do; 1872, 10,952 do; 1871, 9,632 do. Mediterranean 1874, 2,644 hds; 1873, 1,673 do; 1872, 3,724 do; 1871, 4,061 do. Italy and Austria 1874, 10,198 hds; 1873, 15,884 do; 1872, 23,922 do; 1871, 7,672 do. Sundry Exports, 1874, 2,949 hds; 1873, 2,419 do; 1872, 3,962 do; 1871, 2,920 do. Totals: 1874, 105,488 hds; 1873, 73,442 do; 1872, 116,877 do; 1871, 85,448 do. Consumption and on ships not cleared, etc. 1874, 15,795 hds; 1873, 12,592 do; 1872, 12,339 do; 1871, 10,431 do. Disappeared from New York and New Orleans 1874, 121,283 hds; 1873, 86,034 do; 1872, 128,986 do; 1871, 95,879 do.

Seed Leaf.—Considerable improvement was observable in this department last week, as compared with the previous week, the sales of Ohio leaf reaching the round figure of 1,500 cases, and the transfers of all kinds 3,360 cases. The distribution was as follows: 150 cases 1873 Connecticut wrappers at 35¢/40¢; 100 cases do on private terms; 100 cases do to fillers at 78¢/82¢; 100 cases Pennsylvania, running at 15¢/16¢; 200 cases Wisconsin and State at 7¢/9¢; 1,500 cases Ohio at 11¢/12¢; and 100 cases sundries at 8¢/11¢. Messrs. Rader & Son report business, for November as follows: "But very little business in this article has been done during the past month. Prices have not been affected either way."

Messrs. J. S. Gans & Son, remark: Seed leaf has been dull of sale. The few transactions made have been for consumption; exporters having taken but a few hundred cases. Prices remain nominally unchanged. Sales—Connecticut and Massachusetts; crop of 1870, 400 cases; do do, 1873, 100 do; Pennsylvania, do, 100 do; Connecticut and Massachusetts crop of 1873, 800 cases; New York, do, 200 cases; Pennsylvania, do, 200 do; Ohio, do, 1,000 do; Wisconsin, do, 1,200 do; total sales, 4,000 cases. Export of seed leaf since January 1, 66,833 cases; same time last year, 28,520 cases. From Baltimore we learn of heavy transactions in Ohio seed leaf last week. Sales and resales foot up 6,200 cases. Crop of 1873 at, as it is reported, from 11¢/13¢, part to arrive, and taken by shippers and speculators."

The growing absence of low grades of seed leaf adapted to the wants of cutters and manufacturers of low grades of cigars is beginning to be noticed, as there are four or five months to elapse before any thing of that description will be available from the new crop. And then, when the new crop is available another question of serious import will be the prices, as they will necessarily rise higher than they do now. We have, however, seen a recent letter from Connecticut which states that the farmers are now stripping their tobacco, and are finding a considerable proportion of indifferent quality.

Spanish.—For Havana tobacco there seems to have been less inquiry than at our last writing, the reported sales amounting only to 300 bales at 85¢/95¢. Prices continue steady, and stocks show a material reduction, the amount being estimated at from eight to ten thousand bales, whereof, the really fine constitutes a small portion.

Manufactured.—"Business is dull," a dealer observed to us, "but prices are stiff. We hope for good trade (humorously) in the Spring." One reason assigned for the noticeable meagreness of traffic is the absence of some classes of goods that are required for. We observe in the record of offers some for brights that manufacturers deemed unsatisfactory. Black work sold to a moderate extent during the week, and there were the usual small sales of assortments. "I think business ought to be classed as dull," remarked another dealer, "but not unusually dull for this season of the year. The dread of wintering goods has induced manufacturers, in some instances, to press their stock upon the market, which has not had an altogether favorable effect."

Smoking.—In smoking circles there has been no new feature. Trade is affected by the prevailing winter sluggishness, though dealers report a fair amount of business, chiefly for the freshening up of holiday supplies.

Cigars.—Much the same comment would be applicable to the cigar market. The requirements of the revenue law make the first of January an important anniversary to tradesmen, and many tradesmen withhold orders at this season in order that their records may be adjusted without inconvenience. The ordinary annual counting of stock is also another hindrance to business.

Gold opened at 111½ and closed at 110½.
Foreign Exchange.—Messrs. M. & S. Sternberger, Bankers, report as follows: "The decline in Gold has tended to impart a firmer feeling into the Exchange Market, although rates have not materially changed. We quote:—Bankers, nominal rates are 48½¢ and 49½¢, for 60 days and demand sterling respectively; selling rates, 48¼¢ for 60 days, 48½¢/49¢ for demand; Commercial, 60 days, 48½¢/49¼¢; Paris—Bankers, 3 days, 51½¢; 60 days, 51¢; Commercial, 60 days, 51½¢/52¢. Reichsmarks—Bankers, 3 days, 90¢; 60 days, 95¢; Commercial, 60 days, 94¢/94½¢; Switzerland, 3 days, 51½¢; 60 days, 51½¢; Antwerp, 3 days, 51½¢; 60 days, 51½¢.

Freights.—Messrs. Carey & Yale, Freight Brokers, report Tobacco Freight as follows:—Liverpool, per steam, 42s. 6d. 45s. 1p. per sail, 35s. 40s. London, per steam, 42s. 6d. 45s. 1p. per sail, 30s. Glasgow, per steam, 30s. 35s. 1p. per sail, 30s.; Bristol, per steam, Havre, per steam, 40s. 35s.; Antwerp, per steam, 40s. 30s.; Bremen, per steam, 52s. 6d.; per sail, Hamburg, per steam, 52s. 6d.

IMPORTS.

The arrivals at the port of New York from foreign ports for the week ending December 8, included the following consignments:

CINQUEFOUS.—Chas. F. Tag & Son, 111 bales tobacco; A. S. Rosenbaum & Co., 40 do.

LEGHORN.—Weaver & Sterry, 2 casks orris-root.

LIVERPOOL.—Recknagel & Co., 156 cases licorice paste.

MANILA.—Order, 20 cases cigars.

MARSEILLES.—Weaver & Sterry, 25 cases licorice.

SMYRNA.—Jas. C. McAndrew, 300 cases licorice paste, 3,722 bales root.

TARRAGONA.—Jas. C. McAndrew, 300 bales licorice root.

HAVANA.—Tobacco: F. Garcia, 338 bales; A. Gonzales, 138 do; Palmer & Scoville, 104 do; F. Miranda & Co., 96 do; M. E. Salomon, 88 do; E. Spingarn & Co., 56 do; E. Hoffman, 6 do; A. Iselin & Co., 43 do. Cigars: H. Schubart & Co., 4 cases; Perez & Obario, 20 do; F. B. Strouse, 2 do; Howard Ives, 27 do;

Rubira & Co., 3 do; W. H. Thomas & Brother, 7 do; Park & Tilford, 24 do; Acker, Merrill & Condit, 50 do; R. Hoe & Co., 1 do.

EXPORTS.

From the port of New York to foreign ports for the week ending December 8, were as follows:—

ANTIOUA.—2 hds.
ASPINWALL.—81 bales, 5,095 lbs. mfd.
BREMEN.—73 hds, 99 cases, 47 bales, 82 ceroon.
GENOA.—1,102 cases.
GIBRALTAR.—331 cases.
GLASGOW.—15,800 lbs. mfd.
HAMBURG.—73 cases.
HAVANA.—17,284 lbs. mfd.
KINGSTON, J.A.—1,642 lbs. mfd.
LA GUAYRA.—2,901 lbs. mfd.
LIVERPOOL.—9,069 hds, 72,475 lbs. mfd.
LONDON.—63 hds, 5 cases, 41,613 lbs. mfd.
MALTA.—58 hds, 4 cases, 2 bales, 2,027 lbs. mfd.
NASSAU.—1,201 lbs. mfd.
PORT AU PRINCE AND JACMEL.—7 hds, 225 bales.
ST. KITTS.—4 hds.

DOMESTIC RECEIPTS.

The arrivals at the port of New York, from domestic interior and coastwise ports for the week ending December 9, were 741 hds, 44 trcs, 57 qtr trcs, 1,981 cases, 10 butts, 18 kegs, 64 boxes, 133 three-qtr bxs, 34 hlf bxs, 20 third bxs, 23 qtr bxs, 1 bale, 1,107 caddies, consigned as follows:—

By THE ERIE RAILROAD.—Sawyer, Wallace & Co., 51 hds; R. L. Maitland & Co., 12 do; J. P. Quinn & Co., 21 do; Pollard, Pettus & Co., 36 do; J. H. Moore & Co., 20 do; Blakemore, Mayo & Co., 24 do; E. M. Wright & Co., 3 do; J. D. Keilly, Jr., 88 do; A. H. Cardozo, 3 do; A. W. Harris & Co., 1 do; Guthrie & Co., 5 do; Zoel, Rose & Co., 31 do; Wm. Eggert, 40 cases; order, 82 hds, 26 cases.

By THE HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—C. H. Spitzner, 88 cases; Havemeyers & Vigilius, 21 do; Schroeder & Bon, 37 do; J. S. Gans & Son, 88 do; Goodwin & Co., 38 do; Bunzl & Dornmeyer, 76 do; P. Lorillard & Co., 5 do; order, 7 do.

By THE NATIONAL LINE.—Pollard, Pettus & Co., 50 hds; Thos. Hoyt & Co., 5 do; Bill & Brother, 7 do; Blakemore, Mayo & Co., 1 do; A. H. Cardozo, 11 do; R. L. Maitland & Co., 38 do; Sawyer, Wallace & Co., 12 do; order, 35 hds, 10 cases.

By THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.—J. S. Gans & Son, 120 cases; Havemeyers & Vigilius, 51 do.
By NORTH RIVER BOATS.—R. L. Maitland & Co., 12 hds; Pollard, Pettus & Co., 18 do; J. H. Moore & Co., 49 do; order, 10 cases.

By THE NEW YORK AND NEW HAVEN STEAMBOAT LINE.—Levy & Newburg, 178 cases; Schroeder & Bon, 40 do; F. Giebel, 20 do; Z. Selling, 1 do; A. L. & C. L. Holt, 5 do; J. M. J. Bessel & Co., 1 do; J. L. Gassert & Brother, 6 do; Straiton & Storm, 36 do; H. K. Thurbur & Co., 3 do; S. Jacoby & Co., 1 do; Auerbach & Menderson, 1 do; Basch & Fischer, 1 bale.

By THE NEW YORK AND HARTFORD STEAMBOAT LINE.—H. Schubart & Co., 36 cases; Julian Allen, 104 do; E. Rosenwald & Brother, 17 do; Havemeyers & Vigilius, 5 do; Lichtenstein Brothers & Co., 12 do; H. Selling, 43 do; M. H. Levin, 4 do; Fox, Dills & Co., 46 do; Chas. E. Fischer & Brother, 52 do.

By THE OLD DOMINION STEAMSHIP LINE.—Kremelberg & Co., 10 hds; A. C. Lamotte, 4 do; H. Henwood, 71 do; Pioneer Tobacco Co., 2 do; 3 trcs; W. O. Smith & Co., 21 do; 39 qtr trcs, 149 cases mfd; J. P. Quinn & Co., 4 trcs; W. E. Duncan & Co., 36 do; Allen & Fancier, 1 do; R. W. Cameron & Co., 24 qtr trcs mfd, 20 cases do; Martin & Johnson, 10 butts mfd, 2 cases do, 175 do smks; Dolan, Carroll & Co., 3 cases mfd, 20 kegs do, 100 three qtr bxs do, 2 third bxs do, 20 qtr bxs do, 536 caddies do; Jos. H. Thompson & Co., 24 cases smks; 30 do mfd, 9 hlf bxs do, 7 caddies do; Jos. D. Evans & Co., 18 cases mfd, 33 third qtr bxs do, 25 hlf bxs do; Jos. M. Gardiner & Co., 8 cases smks; 9 do mfd, 54 caddies do; L. Blankenstein, 29 do; Bowne & Frith, 37 do; Jas. W. Palmer & Son, 8 do; H. Welsh, 4 do; Bonnett, Schenck & Earl, 6 do; Fitts & Austin, 15 do; M. Rader & Son, 30 cases mfd; Allen & Co., 16 do; Maddux Brothers, 7 do; Herder, Hall & Co., 5 do; Bulky, Moore & Co., 35 do; C. E. Lee, 8 kegs do; 3 qtr bxs do.

COASTWISE FROM BALTIMORE.—C. Reusens, 10 hds; Martin & Johnson, 24 cases; M. Falk & Brother, 11 do; Order, 33 do.

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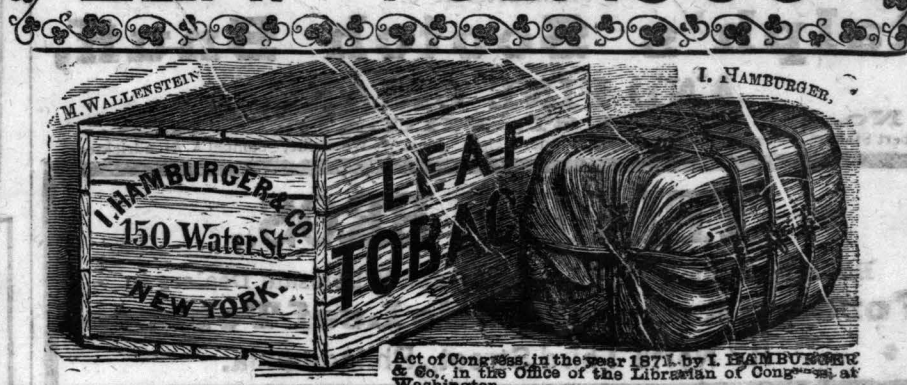
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ish Medical Association, he read a paper on the influence of tobacco on the public health, in which he laid down the startling theory that tobacco is a prolific cause of disease. It will be well, before we accept Dr. Drysdale's conclusions, to examine the grounds on which they are based. The custom of tobacco-smoking is becoming increasingly prevalent, and in cases which have come under his own observation it has had very injurious effects. Now, in the first place, the prevalence with which an article is used has nothing whatever to do with its qualities—beneficial or otherwise. Potatoes are consumed more generally than tobacco, but they are not noxious on that account. If an article is injurious to the individual, it is a *fortiori* much more injurious to the community; but we have no right to twist the argument, and regard of logic, assert that because an article is in general use, therefore it is injurious to the individual. But Dr. Drysdale goes on to say that the use of tobacco disposes the smoker to palpitation of the heart, dyspepsia, diarrhoea, malarial, biliousness, and affections of the gums and tongue. In only one case does he enter into details, namely, that of a young man of twenty-seven, suffering from anaemia, who had been in the habit for six years of smoking an ounce of very strong tobacco every day. Yet Dr. Drysdale talks about the injurious effects of the "use" of tobacco. Now, we consider that nearly half a pound of strong tobacco per week is not "use," but "abuse." It is not fair to judge of general effects from such extreme cases. One glass of ale may do a man good, but it does not follow that a gallon will not be injurious. A mutton chop will have very beneficial and nutritious effects, but the gluton who devours half a sheep will very soon want the doctor's assistance. It is no proof that because one extravagant smoker injures himself by his slavish adherence to the habit, moderate smoking should be condemned. We readily admit that excessive smoking, like excessive eating or drinking, is injurious to the health. Temperance in all things is one of the laws of nature, and whoever violates that law will suffer for it. But it is as unfair to denounce smoking because some of its votaries are intemperate, as it would be to denounce the use of physic because valetudinarians are always dragging themselves.

The real question at issue and the one which Dr. Drysdale scarcely approaches, is this: Is a moderate use of tobacco injurious to the health or not? It is not enough that it is not beneficial. If we are to measure our use of every thing on the strictly utilitarian principle, we may as well begin by cutting down our table of dietary by at least three-fifths. It is quite certain that tea contains no nutriment, but that would be a very sufficient reason for its disuse. Tobacco may not be directly beneficial; but to make good their case the anti-tobaccoists must prove something more;—they must prove that its moderate use is harmful. Now what are facts? Are not smokers, class for class, as healthy, as vigorous in mind and body, and as long-lived as non-smokers? We could mention scores of eminent men—poets, orators, statesmen, divines, and philosophers—who have been habitual smokers, so that smoking does not necessarily impair the powers of mind. We have only to point to agricultural laborers and sailors, most of whom take their pipe regularly, to prove that smoking does not necessarily impair the physical powers. Where, then, are its injurious effects? In the case of sickly and ill-conditioned lads who begin to smoke growing, it is injurious. In the case of people who make themselves slaves of the habit, and abuse the weed, it is injurious. But in the case of grown-up men of ordinary constitution its moderate use can not be proved to be harmful.

We will go further, and say that the vast majority of smokers are the effects of a pipe are beneficial. Tobacco soothes and tranquillizes, allays that grittiness of nerve which under the name of "irritability," shortens a man's life and puts him on the doctor's hands when he ought to be in the prime of his vigor. In these days, when business is one perpetual hurry, scurry of competition, tobacco is Nature's prophylactic for insanity. We firmly believe that if its importation were strictly prohibited, the increase in cases of lunacy would be something appalling. We will even go so far as to say that tobacco is far more useful in its effects than are half the drugs in the Pharmacopoeia. Dr. Drysdale notwithstanding. There is a good deal of truth in the verse sung by Phlegmaticus, in the old comedy of "The Marriage of the Arts":—

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That expels cold rheum,
And makes it flow down quickly."

While, however, we write thus in defense of what Byron called "sublime tobacco," and what Dean Close calls "a gorging fiend," we feel bound to condemn the far too prevalent habit of smoking by boys who are scarcely in their teens. It is only necessary to walk in the streets of an evening in order to see scores of undersized puppies puffing away at dirty short pipes, which their fallow faces and lack-lustre eyes proclaim to be doing them an injury. No man in his senses can say that smoking is good for boys. The nerves of hobbledeys ought not to require either sedatives or stimulants; either Virginia leaf or brandy and water. Nor do we wish to be understood as saying that tobacco is suitable to all constitutions. No more, for the matter of that, is quinine or lobster salad. Every man is the best judge of whether smoking agrees with him or not, and he persists in it merely out of deference to social custom, he is a fool, and deserves to suffer. Again, if a person can not smoke without drinking more than is good for him, he had better dash his pipe into a thousand pieces, and never take another whiff. The drink will injure him far more than the tobacco, but as it is the tobacco that causes him to drink, he will exercise the wisest self-control in dealing with the cause rather than in trying to limit the effect. With the exceptions we have named, the use of tobacco is, we believe, probably beneficial, and certainly not harmful. Dr. Drysdale tries to prop up a feeble argument with the assertion, which we stoutly dispute, that tobacco is injurious to workers in tobacco factories. If he could substantiate this statement it would be no proof, nor even half a proof, that smoking is injurious. He might just as well contend that, because it is dangerous for miners to work in mines, therefore it is injurious to burn coal in our grates; or, to use a better illustration, because bakers are short-lived men, therefore we ought not to eat bread. But we deny the premise. The life assurance offices do not recognize any thing specially unhealthy in the manufacture or manipulation of tobacco, nor can we find upon inquiry that the average of life is shorter, or the general health more feeble, among tobacco-workers than among work-people in other factories. Dr. Drysdale seems to have had one or two cases of excessive smoking under his treatment, and being a man of strong antipathies, he has jumped at the very illogical conclusion that all smoking is injurious. We said at the outset that his opinion was entitled to respect; he will find it necessary, however, to fortify it with more convincing facts before smokers admit that he has proved his case.

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Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to prepare By-Laws and arrange the business of the Association at its next meeting of which timely notice shall be given, to be called by the President.
[Under the above resolution the Chair appointed Geo. W. Thompson, Leesburg, N. C., T. J. Brown, Winston; W. T. Blackwell, Durham; Jas. Dalton, Reidsville; Logan Meadors, Henderson. It was further resolved that T. W. Keen, the President of the Association, and E. P. Jones, the chairman of the present meeting, be added to the committee.]

Resolved, That we will co-operate with the Richmond manufacturers and do all in our power to break up blockading, and that we will unite with the honest manufacturers of the United States in all honorable efforts to bring violators to speedy punishment for infringement of the revenue laws; and that we agree with the Richmond manufacturers if it is not prevented that it will bring disrepute and ultimately destroy the great branch of our material industry.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to the press of the country for the active part taken in giving information and calling the manufacturers together when requested.
Resolved, That we return our thanks to Collector Winstead for the very active part taken in the proceedings, and for tendering the use of his office for the holding of this meeting.
Resolved, That we favor the manufacturer's association, and respectfully request all manufacturers to join us in carrying out the above resolutions.

Resolved, That we have printed in pamphlet form a list of the names of all the manufacturers and peddlers of North Carolina, which number between 500 and 600, with post-office address, which will be furnished to the trade at prime cost.
Resolved, That we expect each manufacturer, upon the receipt of the printed resolutions, to send in his name as a member of the Association, directed to E. P. Jones, Chairman.

Resolved, That the President request the various Railroads to pass delegates of this Association to the point selected for our next meeting at half fare.
Resolved, That the press of the country please copy these resolutions.
Resolved, That deeming it best that the Association be called together, to meet at the option of the President; and that we will cheerfully hold ourselves in readiness to attend his proposed call at Durham, N. C., and that the President hereafter give other markets in our State the honor of the meeting of the Association, in order that all will have an equal showing; and that at the adjournment of the meeting at Durham, the President announce the date and place of the next annual meeting of the North Carolina Manufacturers' Tobacco Association.

Resolved, That the meeting return thanks to the President, acting chairman and other officers, for a faithful discharge of their duties; and furthermore, thanks are due for the printed pamphlet containing the names of every manufacturer and peddler in the State, something over 500 names, which has occupied considerable time and expense, and should be kept on file by all manufacturers in the country, which will probably cost 25 cents, and will contain the proceedings of this and the proposed meeting at Durham.
Resolved, That the press of the country be sent a copy of these proceedings, and be requested to publish the same.

Resolved, That President Keen write to the railroad companies to assist us in having a full meeting; that we are substantial contributors to the great railways of this country, and that all associated bodies are passed to annual meetings for half fare, and pray that this courtesy be extended our Association, and pass delegates every year to annual meetings on the same terms that they do other associated bodies; and that we use our influence collectively and individually to that end, believing, if we can have this courtesy extended us, the railroad companies will lose nothing by it, but will add to their receipts; and that we will deem it an act of gross injustice to our Association if they refuse to extend this courtesy.
Resolved, That we return thanks to the Messrs. W. T. Blackwell & Co. for the very active part they are taking in assisting to make the proposed meeting a

grand success; also for the very liberal offer of the use of their new factory, and also to the citizens of Durham for the manifest interest in our behalf by extending the hospitality of the town.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the citizens of Greensboro' for courtesies extended our Association, and hail with pleasure the placards "Down with the Blockaders and up with the Honest Manufacturers," and hope that it may be the pleasure of other towns and cities to placard their towns in the same way, that the evil-doer may see the handwriting on the wall.
Resolved, That our thanks are due the Greensboro' Patriot for the espousing of our cause, and taking a great and active part in influencing the journals of the country to take cognizance of our troubles, and by the able comments and suggestions of the tobacco and other journals, THE NEW YORK TOBACCO LEAF, Western Tobacco Journal, Cincinnati, Ohio; Tobacco Leaf and Cotton Plant, Charlotte, N. C.; Raleigh News, State Agricultural Journal, Danville, N. C., and others, we are enabled to have the sympathy and assistance of the law-abiding public.

Resolved, That we now adjourn subject to the call of the President.

MR. KIDMER JONES.

THERE are many serious charges, writes "Didymus Goggs" in *Cope's Tobacco Plant*, brought against the custom of smoking tobacco. A very prominent charge is the following: Smoking is a habit that, after some time, becomes master of the individual, and finally, like a huge fiery-eyed devil-fish, grasps him under, over, and all round, and so sinks the helpless victim in the ocean of destruction.

I do not intend to dispute the statement, but to show, by a little story, that this charge is to be laid at the door of habit, and not at the door of smoking.
What I have to relate can scarcely be called a story. It is devoid of plot; and yet, though it is simply an incident, an every-day occurrence, it is a tragedy. Ah! my brothers, it is a false thing to believe that tragedy goes about in a slouched hat and a long cloak with a blood-stained dagger hid beneath it. Tragedy often wears a white hat, and soaps its moustache; tragedy puts up an umbrella when it rains, and is not insensible to corns.

Mr. Kidmer Jones was a young man of dissipated habits. Up to the age of twenty-seven, he drank grog and smoked tobacco as it pleased his wild soul, and was in every respect a worshipper of pleasure. From this it will be seen that he was not a perfect character. Doubts of the toughest description existed in the minds of most of his acquaintances as to whether he ever started on the road to perfection. Certainly, if ever he made the uphill venture, it must have been in secret, and he could have got but a very little way on his journey before he gave it up and turned back again.

At the age of twenty-seven, Kidmer found himself queer. As he expressed himself to a friend, he felt like a trap with both wheels off and the axle-tree broken—no "go" in him. An anti-smoker induced him to attend an anti-tobacco meeting. He went, but did not feel much interest in the proceedings till a gentleman of the name of Mr. Jubilee Strong made a speech.

In the course of his oration, Mr. Jubilee Strong said:—"I accuse tobacco of being the greatest time-waster in the universe. Procrastination has been called the thief of time, but tobacco is his murderer. We all of us waste a bit of time in trivial matters, and sometimes with small results; but time devoted to smoking results in nothing—that is, in nothing good, but in everything that's bad. Smokers actually steal time from their short lives to make them still shorter. Be warned, then, by me! Time is money, and money is houses, lands, luxuries, honors, titles, and success. Time is money! Time is money! Therefore, waste not the ten thousandth part of a fraction of a broken fly, lest you rue it."

Mr. Jubilee Strong sat down at this; and Mr. Kidmer Jones was converted. "Doubt it not! Little things work wonders. We all know how the captive Bruce lay languishing in his dungeon, and watched a spider try to climb the wall. Eleven times did the spider fail, and fall back to the stones below; but, at the twelfth, success attended him, and the illustrious captive, leaping on the spider's back, was carried out of his dungeon-window into sweet liberty by the small but intelligent insect.

"Time is money," said Kidmer Jones, as he lay on his pillow that night; "and smoking is the destroyer of time. Consequently, smoking is a thief, a burglar, a highwayman, a foot-pat, a shop-lifter, a till starter, a safe-breaker, and an area-sneak. To think that I have been the friend of such an immoral lot! No more. Tobacco, good-by for ever! Good-night, accursed weed!" Then the reformed one slept.

Within three months, the change in Mr. Jones was something astounding. As he had smoked from early youth, his energy had been lying dormant a great many years. Now, it began to develop itself, and the long pent-up, immaterial, and unslayable element came forth as an invisible giant.

"Time is money," was now a Kidmer motto. "Time is money!" was his exclamation, as he started up in the morning and plunged into his bath. "Time is money!" cried he, as, after a sharp breakfast, he hurried down the street. "Time is money!" he shouted, with his head out of the window of an express train, to urge the driver to greater speed; and foot-passengers stepped aside in wonderment at the sight of a flying figure in the thickest parts of the city, wildly exclaiming "Time is money!"

There never was a good theory which could not, by misapplication, be developed into bad practice. This was where Mr. Jones was—just exactly on that spot.
He gave up his cold bath in the morning, he went with his beard unshorn, his hair uncombed, and his boots unlaced, because time was money; he bolted his food, and shortened his night's rest to four hours, to save time. He dispensed with the ordinary civilities and courtesies of every day life; he could not spare time to speak to a friend in the street, or to call on one at home. Once, a friend and boon companion called and asked him to a little friendly supper at "The Wobbling Unicorn."

"What!" shrieked Kidmer, his hair standing on end, and his eyes nearly starting out of his head. "What! Me spend hours of precious time, hours of precious money, in conviviality? Oh! oh! the thought is too dreadful!" And he sank, sobbing, into his chair; but only for a moment. Without waiting to wipe the tears from his sad eyes, he seized his hat, and was out of the house and round the corner, crying, "Time is money!" before his scared friend could fetch down his astonished eyebrows.

It is very likely I shall be accused of exaggeration in this painful narrative. I stand on my honor in the matter; and although I can not produce the house—I mean the man—I trust I shall be believed.
I beseech the reader to look not so much at the facts of the case as the theory. Habits bad or good, not under the control of their proprietor, will lead him wrong. Take a case from history—prophane history—Hercules performed so many wonderful and never-to-be-equalled feats—in fact, got into such a habit of doing things that other men could not do—that he imagined he could wear a second-hand shirt with impunity. He fitted on the garment, and his funeral, with cremationary honors, happened very soon afterwards. Habit—h'm—very soon settled him.

Take the case of a man I knew. I will not mention his name, because it always vexes him to hear the circumstance. He courted a young lady for seventeen years, he used to go every night, Sunday excepted, and sit under her bed-room window after she had retired to rest, and sing, in a low, dreamy manner, "Meet me by moonlight alone." The young people were married on a Sunday. On the Monday night, the bride missed her husband for quite an

hour—in fact, from ten o'clock till eleven. The next night, the mystery was repeated. The next night she hunted around for him, and found him at the old spot, singing the same old song. Just as she arrived at the place, her father's window opened, and the old man cried out, "Look here, John, I've stood that for fifteen years and more, and if you don't stop it now, I will." I simply relate this story to show you the force of habit.

I have little more to say concerning Kidmer Jones. His relations and friends tried every means in their power to save him. They shaved his head and applied leeches, holding him by force while the operation proceeded; but he managed to knock down the barber and accidentally swallow a leech, and was no better after all.
The man was clearly mad; he gave up washing himself because of the waste of time, and fed exclusively on sandwiches, because he could devour them while on the wing.

Exactly twelve months after his conversion Kidmer Jones lay at his last gasp; he could no longer get about—but why prolong the harrowing scene? He knew he was going, and desired to see the undertaker. "My friend," said Jones, "on the road with me, do not walk but gallop; for you know that 'Time is money.'" Mr. Jones did not last long after this; he bade good-by to his friends, and, muttering "Time is money!" departed in haste.

IN GOOD TIME.—A Springfield (Mass.) cotemporary remarks: "A tobacco dealer, who is well informed, estimates that over three million dollars will be paid to Connecticut valley growers in January. It was never needed as now."

RESTORED.—From the *Raleigh News* we learn that Reams, of Durham, who has been afflicted by loss of voice, is quite restored. It says, "we met him yesterday and were pleased to find him as loquacious as in the days of yore."

WON HIS BET BUT LOST HIS LIFE.—In Paris a gentleman bet that he would smoke twelve cigars in one evening. He was taken sick on his eighth cigar, but persisted and won his bet. Professor Chevalier was called to attend him the same night, but not in time to save his life.

WANTS HIS ADDRESS.—A lady walking on a Boston street, the other day, suddenly met a man who was coming around a corner with a lighted cigar in his mouth, and the cigar struck her in the eye, leaving a mark that she will carry all her life. She would like to know if there is no law by which she can obtain redress.

ABSENCE OF MIND.—One of the Bohemians of the Paris Bourse recently gave a dinner to some friends at his own house, and in the course of the dinner, by distraction, put a spoon in his pocket, whereupon the oldest man present said gravely, "My friend, you forget that you are not at a restaurant."

A GREAT DAY FOR THE BOYS.—The trick that the boys played on Dr. Wheeler, at Holden, Mass., was to set fire to a load of hay upon which he was riding. It burned beautifully, the horses ran away, and to cap the climax of fun, the doctor fell off and broke off his leg. That was a memorable day for the boys.

SNUFF DIPPING IN NEW ENGLAND.—A snuff mill has recently been set going at Newbury, Mass., which is said to be demanded by the great increase in the habit of snuff dipping in that section, an accomplishment which was learned of the South during the war. There are now two snuff factories in Newbury, and but one other in New England, at Saugus.

A PECULIAR ADMIRAL.—The *Notwich* (Conn.) *Bulletin* mentions a remarkable fact, in regard to the late Admiral Lanman, that during all his long life and active service, he never smoked a cigar or made use of tobacco in any form. It is said, also, that he never voted in his life, nor attended a political meeting of any sort.

"DE JURE" BUT NOT "DE FACTO."—A man called upon a lawyer the other day and began to state his case in a rather abrupt manner. "Sir, I have come to you for advice. I'm a husband-in-law." "A what?" spoke out the learned counsel. "Husband-in-law, sir?" "I have never seen that defined in domestic relations." "Don't you know what a husband-in-law is? Sir, you're no lawyer! You're an ignoramus! I am a husband-in-law, but not in fact, sir—my wife's run off."

A SOUTHERN GIRL.—Says the *Milton* (N. C.) *Chronicle*: A young lady in this township, the only white member in her father's family, and who was rocked in the cradle of wealth, finding her father dissipated about the impossibility of getting hands to save his tobacco crop, volunteered to do the cooking and housework herself, so as to give him the benefit of the services of the house servants in cutting and housing the tobacco. This she did for a week or two, and not only this, but the meals over and things cleaned up she hied to the tobacco field and helped to load and unload the wagons. She saved her father's tobacco crop. Boys, that's the girl of the period, go for her!

HOW IT IS DONE IN PARIS.—At one of the gates of Paris the collectors of the octroi were not satisfied in regard to a vehicle which came in every day. There was, generally, not much in the cart, but it was always drawn by two enormously strong horses with enormously heavy harness. So an officer in disguise was appointed to follow the man. He obtained no precise information, save that something unusual was done when the horses were stabled that required at least two men and two hours' time. Next day they examined the horses and ripped open the harness. In the heavy harness were found 1,500 cigars.

POUNDS, SHILLINGS, PENCE.—When visiting an old acquaintance, a farmer, at a time when albums were all the rage, a well-known wit was handed by the daughter a superannuated account-book, ruled for pounds, shillings, and pence, in which he was requested to write something pretty for her; with which request he complied in the following manner:


This world's a scene as dark as Styx,
Where hope's a scarce worth,
Our joys are borne on feeble wings,
That they are dear at last,
And yet to stay here many are willing,
Although they may not have

POLICE AND REVENUE ITEMS.—Henry Baker has been a bad boy for some time, and on Saturday night, officer Coffey, of the Twentieth Precinct, caught him in the act of leaving the rear window of his father's tobacco store, at No. 47 West Third-seventh Street. In his possession was found \$40 worth of tobacco. He was arraigned before Justice Flammer, at Jefferson Market Police Court, and on complaint of his father, David Baker, was held in \$2,000 bail for trial on a charge of burglary. Last week—General Sardo, a manufacturer of cigarettes, was arrested and taken before United States Commissioner Shields, charged with not having given the bond required under the Internal Revenue law. He was held to answer in default of \$1,000 bail. Saturday last David P. Harris, a Custom House Inspector, was arrested on a charge of having smuggled cigars of the value of about \$5,000 into this port. He was taken before United States Commissioner Shields, who held him in \$5,000 bail for examination, his sureties being Isaac J. Stelling and Charles B. Hobart. The case will probably be laid before the Grand Jury, who are now in session.

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