

Incidentally the increased tax has caused a decrease of 20 per cent in the consumption of alcoholics. More than \$20,000,000 has been derived from the tax on unearned incomes of more than \$750 a year and on earned incomes of more than \$15,000. The super-tax on incomes of more than \$25,000 has produced \$15,000,000. The extra death duties falling on estates of more than \$25,000 yielded \$35,000,000. Idle, undeveloped land produced in revenue \$2,500,000 this year, and next year will return \$3,500,000. The big feature of the budget, however, is the tax on the unearned increment of land, and this will not be levied until all the land in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales is valued by the state. Experts now are working at this gigantic task, but will not complete the work for three or perhaps four more years. When it is finished the world will have the opportunity of seeing a radical departure in taxation methods put into operation. The new tax, which is expected to yield many millions in revenue, will be levied when land is sold or is transferred on account of death. On these occasions 20 per cent of the increase in value above the state valuation, provided it is more than 10 per cent and is not due to improvements, must go to the state. This is an application of the Henry George principle which will be watched with interest the world over.



Patent Monopolies.

The Boston Common, April 20.—Monopoly may be tremendously entrenched by patents. Monopoly uses patents to oppress as well as to serve the public. Therefore, make the law read that an inventor may collect a reasonable royalty from all who use his invention, but that neither he nor any manufacturer with whom he contracts may monopolize the process of manufacturing under a patent. This would stop the purchase of patents with a view to their suppression, as in the case of the United Shoe Machinery Co. and Thomas G. Plant. It would remove one picket from the high fence of privilege.



The Radicalism of Sun Yat Sen.

The (Johnstown, Pa.) Daily Democrat (dem.-Dem.), May 15.—Dr. W. E. Macklin of Nanking, China, who has done so much to inculcate Singletax doctrine in the minds of progressive Chinese, finds it necessary to state that he is not responsible for the conversion of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, Provisional President of China. The notion that he was responsible was perhaps a natural one to those who knew the good work that he has been doing. But Dr. Macklin wants no credit to which he is not entitled and requests his friends to give the widest publicity possible to his denial. Dr. Sun, it seems, learned about the Singletax and read the works of Henry George while in this country. It is gratifying to know that he has shown a very lively interest in the remarkable work Dr. Macklin is doing in the new Republic.



First Lady: "What are they striking for? More wages?"

Second Lady: "Either for more or less—something like that."—Punch.

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THE EAGLE THAT IS FORGOTTEN.

John P. Altgeld: Born Dec. 30, 1847—Died March 12, 1902.

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Sleep softly,—Eagle forgotten,—under the stone.
Time has its way with you there, and the clay has its own.

"We have buried him now," thought your foes, and in secret rejoiced.

They made a brave show of their mourning, their hatred unvoiced.

They had snarled at you, barked at you, foamed at you, day after day.

Now you were ended. They praised you—and laid you away.

The others that mourned you in silence and terror and truth,

The widow bereft of her crust, and the boy without youth,

The mocked and the scorned and the wounded, the lame and the poor,

That should have remembered forever—remember no more.

Where are those lovers of yours, on what name do they call,

The lost, that in armies wept over your funeral pall?

They call on the names of a hundred high-valiant ones;

A hundred white eagles have risen, the sons of your sons.

The zeal in their wings is a zeal that your dreaming began,

The valor that wore out your soul in the service of man.

Sleep softly,—Eagle forgotten,—under the stone.
Time has its way with you there, and the clay has its own.

Sleep on, O brave-hearted, O Wise Man that kindled the flame,—

To live in mankind is far more than to live in a name,

To live in mankind far, far more than to live in a name.



THE ALTGELD TEMPERAMENT.

Written for The Public by Nicholas Vachel Lindsay.



From the Chicago Record-Herald of Thursday, March 13, 1902:

Throughout Mr. Altgeld's public career, and every moment of it was beset by bitter criticism, no one