

### IS TRADE A MISTAKE?

IF PROTECTIONISTS ARE RIGHT, COMMERCE IS A MISTAKE.

The Case of the Canadians Cited—They flourish by Not Trading with Us, and We flourish by Not Trading with Them—An Absurd Tariff Argument.

Canadian protectionists are now taking their turn at statistics. In recent years they have been trying a high protective tariff, and they feel bound to vindicate its utility. At the same time they know the political value of reciprocity talk, and have been engaged in negotiations with the United States for a reciprocity treaty, but nothing has come of it. The two nations lying side by side refuse to trade with each other except under the severest restrictions.

Everybody is familiar with the claims of our own protectionists as to what this policy has done for us. They tell us that it has increased our wealth enormously, and has augmented the wages of our workmen. At the same time this policy, they say, has not cost anybody anything. Although intended to put up prices and thereby enable the manufacturer to get better profits and at the same time pay better wages, it has resulted in putting down the prices of manufactured goods, which are really protected, and putting up the price of farm products, which are only nominally so. The result is happiness to everybody, without the cost of a cent to any. Protection has had a magic influence; it has enabled the manufacturer to take less for his goods, pay more for wages and cost of living, and still have more left. At all events, this is the fairy tale which they are telling to the voters of United States.

If the shutting of the Canadians out of our markets has done so much for us, one would expect that they had met with great disaster. Such is not the case, however, if we may trust the protectionist statistics on the other side of the line. They have been figuring on labor and wages, and they find that under protection wages in Canada have advanced some 15 or 16 per cent. Instead of suffering from being shut out of our markets they have offset it, and much more, by simply shutting us out of theirs. They flourish by not trading with us, and we flourish by not trading with them. There can be but one rational inference from these facts, if they are facts, and that is that commerce is a mistake, a mere device for losing money. Prosperity is found not in trading, but in not trading. The more we refuse to trade the more money we get, and the higher wages we are able and willing to pay. Why then trade at all?

It is true there are some facts which protectionists on both sides of the line invariably ignore. It is true that they invariably assume that whatever occurs under protection is caused by protection. In telling of increase of wages under high tariffs they suppress the fact that they have increased under low tariffs, and that in free trade England there has been a steady increase. In telling of the decline in the price of commodities they leave out of view the well known cause, the use of improved machinery. They do not tell us why high tariffs in France and Germany and Spain do not make wages higher than in England, where what is called free trade prevails. If protection is the cause of prosperity, we ought to find prosperity wherever there is protection, and no prosperity wherever protection is wanting.

If it is so disastrous to us to trade with Canada, or for Canada to trade with us, it is singular that the states of the Union have not been ruined by trading with one another. This is one of the paradoxes that protectionists have never been able to explain. Absolute free trade among the states and territories is guaranteed by the constitution, yet all flourish together, though not equally. Nor is the rate of wages uniform. With the same free trade at home, and the same protection from abroad, wages in different parts of the country refuse to keep a uniform level, but are regulated by supply and demand.

When the subject is considered in all its bearings we shall find that Mr. Stevenson has expressed the whole truth in one sentence, "Tariffs have nothing to do with wages, except to diminish their purchasing power."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

What the Force Bill Might Do. The measure is not the outcome of ignorance or false theories of government, but of deliberate and rascally conspiracy to substitute force and fraud for free elections, to abolish real representative government and to make a narrow and greedy oligarchy of officeholders supreme arbiters of the nation's destiny. If the bill had been allowed to pass in the senate, Benjamin Harrison could easily re-elect himself president for life, and the usurpers in Washington could never be got rid of except by armed revolution.—St. Louis Republic.

Who Pays the Duty? One of our exchanges tells us of an Irishman whose old mother abroad knit him several pairs of woolen socks, the cost of which was twenty cents a pair in Ireland. The poor fellow had to pay twenty-five cents per pair duty, and as he has been told the foreigner pays this duty he has written to McKinley to find out just whom he shall apply to in the old country for his money. We doubt if McKinley can answer this plain question.—Newport (R. L.) Herald.

Ergo, Vote for Cleveland. No wonder people read Democratic more than Republican newspapers! The real question with the old soldiers this year is, "How shall we vote in order to get our pension money?" The government has recently defaulted in the payment of pensions, and unless an economical Democratic administration shall succeed to that of Harrison the government will be unable to pay its pensioners.—Siox City (In.) Tribune.

### In Memory of the Deceased.

(Published by request.)

Sarah Ann Oman died February 26, 1892, aged 61 years, 11 months and 4 days, converted 38 years ago, married to William Oman 1852. Composed and written for the husband by W. A. Evert, Bloomsburg, Pa.

With winter and its stormy blasts How many friends have fled, And some who were so dear to us Are now among the dead.

My darling wife so dear to me, Was called away "at rest," Where soon the Lord will call Me to that home so blest.

To trust in Jesus was her guide, To do her Master's will; And now she lives in heaven above, Where she can love him still.

She led a constant Christian life, And those who knew her well; Would seek her for that good advice, And then of Him she'd tell.

She put her trust all in the Lord, And in Him lived and died; And when he thought it best for us, He took her from our side.

Our home is sad and lonely now, For there's her vacant chair; For we who loved our mother dear, Could always find her there.

When little children came to her, She took them by the hand; And in her mother way would talk About the holy land.

From all her trials she has gone, Gone to that world of light; She'll sing and shout with him above, Where all is love and right.

She has gone to meet our children, Who were taken up before; And when they see now is waking, All along the golden shore.

He comes again our hearts to bind, The bleeding soul to cure, And with the treasures of his grace, To help the humble poor.

Now our family, it is broken, And our home is sad and drear; But we'll place our trust in Jesus, He'll know our hearts will cheer.

When trouble like a glowing pall, Has thrown its shade around; A blighting sorrow on the heart A resting place has found.

My feeble footsteps soon will fail, And from this world I'll fly, To join my wife and God above, And dwell beyond the sky.

And now my day is almost gone, My eyes are growing dim; My trust is when I leave this land I'll go and be with Him.

And now my pilgrimage on earth, Has run its course, the best; May I with joy, go enter in, And be with her, "at rest."

A man who practiced medicine for 40 years, ought to know salt from sugar; read what he says.

TOLEDO, O., Jan 10, 1887.

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### She Wouldn't Lift Her Veil.

From the Chicago Inter Ocean.

"I made the awful mistake of making love to my own wife one day last week," said W. T. Mason, as he drew a chair up to the charmed circle where sat the story tellers in the Lindell rotunda. "I had been down to Kankakee on a business trip and took the night train for Chicago, where I reside. The coach was chock-a-block, with the exception of one double seat, which was occupied by a stylish-looking woman, who sat at the window and had her veil down. I received permission to occupy the seat with her, and we were soon chatting pleasantly. I thought her voice sounded familiar, but fate had ordained that I should make an ass of myself. I tried to get her to put up her veil, but she objected that the cinders got into her eyes. To make a long story short, I struck up a desperate flirtation with her. She admitted that she was married, but said her husband was a graceless scamp who always flirting with other women and neglecting her. Of course I sympathized with her, and told her that a man who would neglect so charming a woman ought to be kicked to death by a blind mule. Was I married? Certainly not. Well, we finally reached Chicago, and I handed her into a cab. Then she lifted her veil. It was my wife! This story stops right here."

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### A NEW DELIVERY SCHEME.

NEW LETTER BOXES FOR EVERY HOUSE FOR THE COLLECTION AND DELIVERY OF LETTERS.

Postmaster-General Wanamaker has issued his expected order deputizing the postmasters of free-delivery cities, towns and rural communities to put up letter boxes, on the request of citizens, for the collection and delivery of mail at the house doors. The order, it is said, affects nearly three million residences to which the free-delivery service is already extended.

The canvass of models of boxes to be recommended has lasted over two years, and the recommended boxes have stood the actual experience. The carrier gains half an hour or more on each trip, from the fact that much time formerly consumed in waiting for people to come to doors to receive their mails is not all taken up in calling at houses where the automatic signal, seen from the sidewalk, indicates that mail is to be collected.

The boxes vary in prices from \$1 to \$2 and a given route is to be equipped when the Postmaster finds that two-thirds of the householders desire the new double service. The postoffice officials say that as no loss of time is involved to the carrier force, no extra carriers, except as the service naturally grows, are required; and if the saving of time on given routes is considerable enough, extra deliveries, always a necessity may be put on with the same force of carriers.

The boxes approved will be exhibited at postoffice by the postmaster, and all postoffice employees have been directed to facilitate their introduction. Housekeepers desiring to try the new mail collection and delivery scheme must select and purchase a box of one of the styles approved by the department.

I was troubled with catarrh for seven years previous to commencing the use of Ely's Cream Balm. It has done for me what other so-called cures have failed to do—cured me. The effect of the Balm seemed magical. Clarence L. Huff, Biddford, Me.

After trying many remedies for catarrh during past twelve years, I tried Ely's Cream Balm with complete success. It is over one year since I stopped using it and have had no return of catarrh. I recommend it to all my friends.—Milton T. Palm, Reading, Pa. 9-16-21.

### Ancient Bills of Fare.

The account—more frequently found in romances—of the marvellous feast often given to ruling powers of the olden times, are eagerly read by the young, and with great longings to see them repeated in the present time. Especially are they bewitching to the young housekeepers—who have visions of surprising their husbands with a bill of fare copied from ancient times. Yet they have no idea of what the peculiar dishes were composed.

A "young lady" writes us: "I have read so much of the wonderful feasts and banquets given in ancient times, the almost fabulous entertainments of the nobles and emperors of Greece and Rome, that I am curious to know something more definite about them. Do tell me, dear madam, if you can, how the dishes, which must have cost a small fortune, were prepared. Of what did they consist?"

"I am young, expecting soon to go to housekeeping. I am fond of trying new things, and can afford a little extravagance to enable me to do so. It would be such a pleasure to surprise my husband by bringing him a dainty entertainment, entirely different from the common run of things."

You would indeed surprise your husband and guest, my dear child, with something "different from the common run of things," if we could give you such receipts; but few, if any, have been recorded, and none that you would willingly follow. Their banquets were wonderfully lavish in the composition. Served in barbaric splendor, on polished gold set round with precious stones, yet there was no delicacy or refinement, either in the mode of preparing or arranging the food.—Mrs. Wreny Hard Boecher October Godley's.

Lamp-chimneys cost so little that we let them go on breaking. We go on buying and grumbling.

What should we do? Get Macbeth's "Pearl-top" and "Pearl-glass," they are made of tough glass, tough against heat; they do not break in use; they do from accident.

They are fine, well made, exact; they fit the lamps they are made for; stand upright; the shade is right; they make a right draught for light; they are uniform. Both bear a label for your protection. Look for it. Be willing to pay a nickel more and stop this constant expense and annoyance.

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### A CME BLACKING is cheaper

at 20 cents a bottle than any other Dressing at 5 cents.

A LITTLE GOES A LONG WAYS because shoes once blackened with it can be kept clean by washing them with water. People in moderate circumstances find it profitable to buy it at 20c. a bottle, because what they spend for Blacking they save in shoe leather.

It is the cheapest blacking considering its quality, and yet we want to sell it cheaper if it can be done. We will pay \$10,000 Reward for a recipe that will enable us to make WOLFF'S ACME BLACKING at such a price that a retailer can profitably sell it at 10c. a bottle. This offer is open until Jan. 1st, 1893.

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### READ THIS.



When you want a suit of clothes, a new hat, gloves, neckwear and gents' furnishing goods, you should look for the place where you can get just what you want, in the latest styles, at reasonable prices. A few dollars off is always an object, and I am now making up spring and summer suits from a large assortment of goods, to suit all customers, at prices as low as are consistent with good work. Good fits guaranteed. The latest thing in straw hats are now here. Light as a feather. A beautiful line of neckwear, and summer shirts. Accurate measures taken for silk hats.

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### CAMPAIGN SONGS.

Some Efforts in the New York World's Prize Competition. [Air—"Hold the Fort."]

Ho, my comrades, forth to battle, Let our swords be facts; Put it plain before the people: Tariff is a tax!

CHORUS. Cleve and Steve reform the tariff, Let high taxes fall, Open markets for our staples, Equal rights to all!

See the "mitty" foe advancing, Wearing Grandpa's hat; On his banner, borne so proudly, Lo, a Tribune rat!

Pour your shot into their ramparts, Force and ballot bill; Don't forget the billion congress, Charge them with a will!

Democracy's Jubilee Day. [Air—"Ropin the Bow."] Come, rally for freedom and country, Come, marshal your clan for the fray, And hasten the glorious dawning Of Democracy's jubilee day.

Arise in your might, sound the slogan: Your armor gird on, and achieve A victory over greed and corruption, As we boom it for Cleve and for Steve.

With "tariff reform" for our motto McKinley must step to the rear, And the force bill we'll bury so deeply Not even its ghost will appear. We'll throttle monopoly's cobra, The oppressor from the dust we'll retrieve, And we'll cry, Show fair play to the workman!

As we boom it for Cleve and for Steve. Columbia, dear, thou wert wrested From the grasp of a tyrannous hand, By the blood of the heroes who saved thee—Swear, no self shall pollute thy fair land. Come, rally from city and hamlet, East, west, north, and believe, That November will bring glad fruition, If we boom it for Cleve and for Steve.

"Voice of the People." [Air—"Ta-ra-boom-de-ay."] Come, ye men of mind and loom, Merchant from your counting room, Farmer from your band of bloom, Vote the grand old party's doom—Party of the iron kings, Hessian thugs and hirelings, Crafty, scheming bulls and bears, Gambler in our wealth and wares.

CHORUS. Down with Plutocracy, Ta-ra-boom-de-ay; Down with Autocracy, Ta-ra-boom-de-ay; Down with Hypocrisy, Ta-ra-boom-de-ay; Forward Democracy, Ta-ra-boom-de-ay.

Lordly castle on the hill Where the master rules at will, Starving workmen in the mill, Wages out despite their will, Tradesmen with an empty till, All through cursed tariff bill, Never passed by people's will, Yet they have to foot the bill.

Bloody shirt no more shall wave O'er a brother's lowly grave; Bury deep the gory shroud; Tender feelings it has hurt; Sister states must have their rights, Union, home rule, sovereign rights; Rich and poor shall equal stand On this fair and favored land.

Meet the Tories at the polls When November's drumbeat rolls, Rolls the knell of tariff tolls, Federal bayonets at the polls, Rout them, Adlai, branch and root, Bag and baggage with their loot, Give them Grover Cleveland's boot, Make them from the White House scoot!

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