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How is it? The various amendments offered on the Democratic side of the Senate to the duties in the Iron schedule of the Senate bill have been unanimously voted down by the Republican side, save the one offered by Senator Harris reducing the duty on steel beams from one and one-tenths to six-tenths of a cent per pound; which Senator Plumb, Republican of Kansas, has shown a disposition to support. He declares that the beam manufacturers have long had a trust under which they maintained an exorbitant price for their product; and he tells us how the contractors for building the capitol of Kansas and Texas saved much money by importing their own beams. He wants to deprive this trust of the power which the heavy tariff duty gives its members of making an excessive price for their manufactures.

But Senator Plumb cannot take his party with him; and it is doubtful whether he can even command his own vote for a policy whose justice he so clearly shows. It cannot be disputed that the makers of steel beams are enabled by the heavy import duty to obtain a large price for their beams; though they claim that it is not an excessive price, because of the nature of the business. They are required to carry a large stock of beams of all sizes, costly to store and to handle, to fill orders that are promptly required and that are generally small. There is no good reason apparent why beams should be protected by a higher duty than bars; and the movement to reduce the duty is one which cannot be sensibly resisted.

Senator Sherman reconciles his vote in favor of the high duties imposed by the Senate bill, with his position of hostility to trusts, by declaring that the people definitely declared in favor of a protective tariff at the late election; and that this principle of adjusting the tariff being settled, the work of fixing the proper duties should be left to the committees of Congress, and be passed as they recommend. In this way he shifts the responsibility of the high duty on beams, which are made by a trust; and votes for the duties, while maintaining his hostility to trusts. It is a very lame performance, but eminently characteristic of Sherman. By long practice of deception he has become quite unable to tell the truth; and possibly he deceives even himself. He may believe that he lures trusts; whereas everyone else knows that he is just the man to cultivate them.

But how is it that he can say that the people in the late election have decided in favor of the Republican policy, and that nothing remains for Congress to do but to pass the tariff bill that its Republican committee report?

How is it that the people have approved the Republican policy, when the Democratic plurality of the people is shown to be a hundred thousand, and when the Republicans were in a minority of half a million?

It is not the sense of the people to be taken from their votes? Certainly it is; and it is quite impossible for Senator Sherman to truthfully declare that the Republican policy has the popular endorsement. He may justly say that the Republican party has been put in power in the country through the peculiar method of recording the votes, which does not let the majority of the people rule. But he will need to say that it is barely in power; having the president safely, but both houses of Congress so nearly tied as can be. The battle has been a draw; in which the Republicans drew the offices, and the Democrats got the verdict of the people for their principles. Which will be the more profitable draw, the future must show.

A Business Man. We do not think that anyone need feel anxiety lest the present governor of Pennsylvania die of brain trouble; so little brain does he seem to have to trouble. There was an amusing interview held with him the other day by representatives of the city of Philadelphia who wanted him to recommend the legislature to make an appropriation towards improving the harbor and buying the islands in it in front of the city. The only question in the matter was as to the propriety of the state's contributing to a work that was properly that of the national government, and that no part of Pennsylvania, but Philadelphia, was interested in.

But that did not trouble the governor at all. He was easy on that score and ready to recommend an appropriation. But he was greatly troubled that the committee did not tell him just how much they wanted. He must have, as a business man, a business proposition to submit to the legislature; and he stuck to this notion, after it was frequently suggested to him that it was not necessary to demand any specific sum, which might well be left to the legislature to fix; and finally the governor succeeded in nagging the committee into naming a quarter of a million as the figure; and he was happy.

An Ambassador. Mr. Dewey, who occupies in these days a remarkable share of public attention, through the facility with which he is reached by reporters and the fondness he has for talking, has no sooner delivered himself of his explanation of the episode in which he happened to be made the victim of Mrs. Whitney's hatchet, than he is again introduced for the purpose of expressing his opinion of the English mission and his own occupancy of it. He assures us that he considers it the next post in dignity to the presidency; and that though he would not accept a cabinet office, he might, if he was persuaded that he could be of benefit to the country, be induced to accept the mission; though he would sacrifice a great deal in leaving his present place to do it. Which is just the way he talked about the Chicago nomination for the presidency; and finally jumping for it, to find to his surprise that he could not get it. We trust that he may have better luck this time. It is well adapted to his English mission, which calls for the dining capacity and talents that have made Mr. Dewey famous.

department at home. But it is a very agreeable position for the man who is capable of meeting and enjoying its social requirements. It gives him a place among the chiefs, up at the very top of the ladder, with no disagreeable duties and no wretched reporters. Mr. Dewey might talk in England freely without danger of a Madame Whitney hatchet. We are not persuaded that he will like this. He has been under deep obligations to the reporters who have enabled him to keep his name constantly dancing before the public; and that is fame, some folks think. Mr. Dewey might have been president of one of the chief railways of the country all his life, and still have been unknown. In truth great railway presidents do not pose before the public, lacking both taste and time for the fan. Mr. Dewey as a railroad president, is not great. It is not his vocation. He talks too much to be a worker. It will suit him vastly better to be a butterfly in politics and flutter at the English court.

Excited Senator Frye. Mr. Frye made a great noise in his old character of war pup in the Senate on Monday. He evidently considers himself a dog of war and so barks fiercely whenever he thinks he sees an excuse, but since his failure to show any disposition to bite when the president gave the senators an opportunity in that direction, he can only be considered a war pup. He had been yelping fiercely about twisting the tail of the British lion, but when the president suggested retaliation Mr. Frye relapsed into silence. Now he ventures to open his cavernous jaws to howl about the German outrages in Samoa, but he will gain small applause. Everyone knows that the administration is religiously guarding our interests and national dignity and does not need the assistance of Frye. Nobody knows exactly the true state of the somewhat tangled Samoan case, but diplomacy is a delicate business and all good citizens are content to leave it in the hands of the trained experts of the state department until they see fit to make it a matter of public concern. We do not want to go to war with Germany about a miserable little group of islands if we can in any honorable way avoid it, and we can certainly afford to leave a dispute so trifling to the proved discretion of the administration. Senator Gray very properly reminded the war pup that no power was lodged in the executive to commit this great government to a foreign policy which required the use of force, and that entangling alliances and a policy of territorial enlargement were contrary to American principles and traditions.

"Dutch Gus" Chops and Charles Wilson, the two men of the "Fernwood" gang charged with the murder of Farmer Sharp, will not be tried until next spring, because the court on Monday sustained an objection raised by their counsel that the grand jury that indicted them had been illegally drawn. Their case will have to go before another grand jury in March. The statement of Lubberman, another criminal, that Chops had confessed to him is chiefly remarkable for the exact and minute details of the confession that Lubberman repeats from memory. It makes an interesting phase of a strange case, but it hardly adds to the general interest now that time is gained to study Lubberman's motives, it may lead to more startling developments.

THIRTY people in Hungary have been bitten by mad wolves, but they will hardly be sent to Pestout for treatment, as were a score of Russians a year ago who had been bitten by wolves. It will be remembered that Pasteur ascribed his failure in their case to the long delay in beginning his treatment.

OUR county is rapidly solving the position of Pike county, Missouri, which has for many a year been chosen by the fable of doubtful stories as the scene of his marvelous tales. Not long ago the New York Times published an awful story of the brigands of Little Britain, Lancaster county, and now the Williamsport Gazette, our fellow Pennsylvanian, gives this "the most unkindest cut of all": In Lancaster county jury lists are not allowed to be published by the court, and it is not known in advance who are drawn to serve as jurors at an approaching court. This is done, it is claimed, to prevent jurors from being tampered with. Are jurors in other counties, that the garb of secrecy must be thrown around them as a protection from those who would corrupt them and therefore thwart the ends of justice?

Possibly the story is true of some other county, but this is a sample of the things we may expect to have said about us if we do not stand up a little. The Police Gazette may soon come out with pictures of Lancaster county jurors in bribe proof cages, gagged, masked and manacled. Meanwhile we will content ourselves with demanding an apology from the Williamsport Gazette. Our jury lists are always published.

THE report of the chief of the bureau of statistics on the foreign commerce of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1888, has been issued. It shows a decrease of \$1,708,718 in the value of the exports of merchandise, and an increase of \$1,637,346 in the value of the imports of merchandise. The imports exceeded the exports by more than twenty-eight million dollars. It shows that our exports have shown a decrease from the figures of 1887, about one per cent, while imports show an increase. In the same year excepting in 1885 and 1886, when they were less than in 1888. The recent decline in the value of exports and imports is ascribed to the decline of prices at home and abroad. Our foreign commerce amounted to \$1,424,119,569, but the foreign countries in 1887, in the same time amounted to \$1,29,114,363; Germany, \$2,225,622,942; France, \$1,771,913,700. No we stand fourth on the list of nations in the value of our commerce, but more than 75 per cent of the vessels sailing from our ports are foreign, and American capital and enterprise continues to decrease. Our 14.45 per cent of our foreign trade, measured by its value, is carried in home vessels, while 80.92 per cent is carried in foreign vessels. Only 7.45 per cent of it is conducted in steamers bearing our flag, while 79.12 per cent, with all its profits and its employment of capital and labor, is conducted in steam vessels. In the past 23 years the proportion of value carried in our own vessels has fallen from 75 to 13.45 per cent. Our exports then, in 1887, were only \$82,048, and our imports \$99,302.

An unprejudiced man can study this report without being impressed with a feeling that something badly needs attention.

PERSONAL. Mr. J. E. STUBBS has sold his interest in the "Colonial" to Mr. W. E. CRIST, of Greensburg, an experienced newspaper man. The style of the firm is now CRIST & FASSELL. Mrs. G. A. COVENS was recognized by a street Arab who was walking a London street, and was soon surrounded by an enthusiastic coterie of gamblers who accompanied him some distance. Mr. W. WHITTIER will be 91 years old on

the 17th inst. One of the birthday presents he received last year, and which touched him deeply, was a balmam pillow, made by an Indian girl, from a tree that grew by the grave of the gentle "H. H."

REAR ADMIRAL W. E. LEROY died on Monday at the Victoria hotel, New York, aged 70 years. He was in the South Atlantic blockading squadron during the war, and participated in the fight with rebel iron-clads at Charleston as commander of the Keystone State. He commanded the Casper at the battle of Mobile Bay, August 5, 1864. In this engagement he captured the Tennessee. He was retired in 1880. In January, 1863, as commander of the side-wheel steamer "H. H.," of the South Atlantic blockading squadron, he attacked, single-handed, a number of rebel iron-clads at Charleston, S. C. His ship was riddled with shot and shell, and he was forced to haul down his flag. But the rebels peppered away, so he sent it to the northward again, and kept it there till some Northern vessels came to the rescue and chased the South-erners home.

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