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TUESDAY MORNING, JULY 14, 1857.

READING MATTER ON EACH PAGE OF THIS PAPER.

Imports and Exports.

The fiscal year of the government ended on the first of this month, and we have before us the figures of the commerce of the port of New York for that period.

It may be that it is because of our ideas formed in old Whig times—a strong feeling of regard for American over foreign interests, and an unfailing anxiety to see American industry protected rather than that of European competitors—that we are led to look on this statement as unsatisfactory, and as but poorly carrying out the idea of our boasted growth as a nation.

It is true, the figures are for the port of New York alone, and not for the entire country; but as New York is not only the great importing city of the Union, but the point of export for the bulk of all our produce except cotton, the figures indicate pretty plainly the state of the national commerce for the year.

The total amount of foreign goods imported for the year ending July 1st

was	$226,169,120
For the corresponding year, 1856	198,154,747
" " " " 1855	154,565,526

The increase over the preceding year, in round numbers, is $28,000,000—not a much greater increase, perhaps, than the accompanying increase of population in the same time; but should not a great people, as we boast ourselves to be, be able to manufacture more and import less as we continue to grow greater year by year?

How was this increased import paid for? A pertinent question. In produce, you will say? No. The total export of domestic produce for the year was $75,928,842, against $75,026,244 last year—a scarcely perceptible increase. But, in the same period, our export of gold increased from $22,580,991 to $46,942,243—or more than doubled. The increased imports, therefore, were paid for in *gold*. The European manufacturers, who supply us with what we could as well make ourselves, will not take our produce in payment; they must have the bullion.—Nearly the entire yield of California gold, last year, went abroad to pay for foreign luxuries or goods that should have been made at home.

The total exports of the year, including specie, were $128,102,218, against $102,567,749 —nearly the whole of the increase being in gold.

How, it may be well to ask, do our exports compare with those of other nations. Our exports are our income—the means upon which we rely to pay for our expenses as purchasers from other countries. Do they keep pace with our vaunted growth? On this point we clip the following from the N. Y. *Courier & Enquirer*.

"We are apt to congratulate ourselves on the unequaled growth of our country and its commerce. Of the former we have reason; but of the latter the figures do not prove our statements. In the last ten years, the exports of the United States have increased 107 per cent., while the increase in the exports of France for the same period is equal to 130 per cent.; and the increase of the exports of Great Britain for the same period is equal to 93 per cent.

Statement showing the total exports separately of France, Great Britan and the United States for the past ten years:

TOTAL EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC PRODUCE.

Year.	France.	Great Britain.	United States.
1847	$140,000,000	$293,000,000	$158,000,000
1848	135,000,000	262,000,000	154,000,000
1849	135,000,000	315,000,000	145,000,000
1850	211,000,000	326,000,000	152,000,000
1851	225,000,000	370,000,000	218,000,000
1852	300,000,000	393,000,000	210,000,000
1853	215,000,000	435,000,000	231,000,000
1854	280,000,000	483,000,000	278,000,000
1855	308,000,000	475,000,000	275,000,000
1856	325,000,000	575,000,000	326,000,000

The $326,000,000 here set down as our exports for 1856, include cotton and specie, from all the ports, and are a mere estimate—an estimate sufficiently reliable for the present, but rather too liberal, we fancy. It will be seen that France, which has been stationary in population for the past ten years has in that time increased her exports 130 per cent., and Great Britain, which has been pouring her people by hundreds of thousands upon our shores yearly, has increased hers 93 per cent.; while we, with a population constantly augmenting from emigration and with our productiveness constantly increasing in a surprising ratio, have increased our exports only 107 per cent.—*less* than France and but little more than Great Britain. The comparison may be a flattering one to them; it certainly is not so to us.

This feature, however, is not the worst. Our imports increase at a greater ratio than our exports.: "If we continue," says the *Courier and Enquirer*, from which we have quoted, "to increase our imports at the rate that we increased from 1840 to 1850, and again from 1850 to 1856, we shall by the end of the century, be as a people, bankrupt."

It is useless, of course, to admonish a people proud of their untried strength, with such figures as these. Even as we write, the table of imports of foreign dry-goods at New York for the first week of July shows a total of about $4,500,000—or nearly double that of the corresponding week last year. The exports of produce, for the same time, barely reach a million. Meantime, every steamer from Europe brings us word that the crop prospect there is brilliant, and there is not, therefore, much likelihood that they will want much of our breadstuffs for a year to come. What they do not want of our produce they will kindly take in gold. So, rush on heedlessly, double your imports and never trouble yourselves about how they are to be paid for. When California is unable to meet the demand for gold, the people's pockets can make up the deficiency.

IMPROVEMENT IN PIANOS.—A late number of the New York *Tribune* says that a Mr. Driggs, a mechanical genius, though not a mechanic, after twelve years of study, experiment and expenditure, has, in the opinion of judges, made and applied invaluable inventions to the piano. One of the instruments, constructed in such a manner as to involve his inventions was tried in New York a few days since in presence of a large number of celebrated musicians and performers on the piano, Thalberg with the rest, and gave great satisfaction. The *Tribune* says:

"The peculiarities of this instrument are several: A prominent one being the shape and quality of an arched upper and lower sounding-board, corresponding to the back and front of a violin, which recommends it to the philosophical principle which is employed in that instrument, affords the largest and most musical response to the slightest touch of the keys. The construction of the keys is peculiar and ingenious, enabling the great stretch to be taken with ease and enabling the wires to be placed at such tension as to reduce hard playing.

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GRAND EXCURSION.—The Portland *Advertiser* says on the authority of the Canadian Railway Guide that the Great Eastern Steamship will positively sail from Holyhead Harbor—her point of departure from England—for Portland in April of next year, and that Tourist Tickets will be issued by her for a five weeks trip—the period during which the *Great Eastern* will remain at Portland—North America. It is intended that these tickets should include the passage money out and home, and all railway and steamboat fares from Portland to Quebec, Chicago, St. Louis, Washington, New York, Boston, and back to Portland. The price of a ticket is to be £100.

CONSTABLES FEES.—On the rendition of a verdict in New York against a man for the sum of $79, 97, three constables in that city made a levy on his goods and handed in their bill which was so exorbitant that the particular charges were demanded. They gave the following:

Anxiety	$6 00
Thinking over it	$4 00
Advertising	$4 00
Cartage	$2 00

THE Paris correspondent of the New York *Journal of Commerce* says that, "according to the latest French advices from Jerusalem, the number of pilgrims congregated there was about *fifteen millions*—two-thirds of the Greek faith." Is not "fifteen millions" rather a large venture in the way of guessing?

The "Whippy Swampers."

We have with some assiduity examined the map of the nation of South Carolina, to learn if haply we might find "Whippy Swamp" laid down thereon, but that search has been fruitless. The ungraceful topographer to whose labors we are indebted for a geographical picture of the territory of this republic and that of the aforesaid nation, has passed by "Whippy Swamp" in ignominious silence. If geography has been silent, not so the muse of history. Perhaps some of our readers may remember that, on the 4th of July, 1856, a young gentleman aged twelve years sent up from "Whippy Swamp" a challenge to the effect that "he would whip Sumner's son—if there were such an individual of the proper age, —just as Brooks whipped that son's daddy"; but as Mr. Sumner is a bachelor there was "no young individual of the proper age" and the challenge met with no response. But valor yet remained in "Whippy Swamp," and *The Charleston Mercury* gives great prominence to the proceedings at their recent celebration of the "glorious Fourth, doubtless as a model of that chivalrous outspoken spirit for which the Palmetto State has been celebrated ever since the occupation of Charleston by the English.

The celebration appears to have been under the particular direction of "*Brat Company No. 4 Lower Battalion 15th Regiment S. C. M.*, but what beat company it may be or by whom beaten the unfaithful chronicler saith not. The orator of the occasion—this was a Democratic celebration —was a Mr. Rayson, a member of the "Beat Company"—*nonem, et preterea nihil*. Of course the "crisis" figured largely at this celebration —the crisis, adjourned by the South's success in electing Mr. Buchanan, from 1856 to 1860, when the last stand is to be made and every "Whippy Swamper" is to march up to Mason & Dixon's Line with his coffin—of the requisite size—on his back, as in a former day they were to march up to 54°-40' under the auspices of Mr. Polk, of valorous memory.

After the speech came the toasts, of course, a few of which we transcribe for the edification of our readers. These first were volunteer toasts:

"The Fourth of July: A day sacred to liberty, talked of elsewhere, but enjoyed here alone.

Gen. Bonham, successor of Brooks: Able to lash with tongue and hand, may he keep in mind the achievement of his predecessor, and when argument has failed, wipe out every stain attempted to be thrown upon the people or institutions of the South by the magic aid of a cowhide.

Our next President: May Fred. Douglas, the black negro champion, be nominated by the North for our next President. Abolitionists ought then to be satisfied, and the South surely roused from her lethargy."

Then followed the regulars which as in an army did more terrible execution than the skirmishing volunteers:

By Dr. Joseph Minnikon:

"Northern men with Southern principles we meet as friends; but the Abolitionists we salute with a good coat of the inside of a pine and the outside of a goose with a lighted lucifer match stuck to it."

By J. D. Jones:

"A Southern Confederacy: The time has come when the South must look to herself. May she break loose all ties with Yankeedom, and form herself a Slaveholding Confederacy."

Oh Jones! You ought to be ashamed! You will frighten to death the generally unterrified Democracy of the North, whose whole business it is to preserve the Union. But to go on:

By Barnet Livingston, Jr.:

"Hon. L. M. Bonham, Member of Congress from Edgefield: May he supply himself with a cane, named after his predecessor, of sufficient strength and size to beat, whenever his country's rights demand it, all the Abolitionists from the Government seat at Washington."

The apotheosis of Mr. Brooks (peace to his ashes) is at length complete! He is to have a cane "named for him" by his mourning constituents!

Thomas Jefferson Davis followed in this strain:

"To the Orator of the Day: Though young and in bloom, I hope that a few years will bring him to a state of maturity, that he may be able to cane Sumner, standing, sitting, or lying."

The following very pointed and classic toast must end our quotations for the day:

"By James O'Connel:

May the Orator of the Day be able to make a fuss in Congress yet."

And such were some of the doings and sayings at "Whippy Swamp" on the 4th July, 1857, which as faithful chroniclers of the times we lay before our readers as examples of chivalry not to be questioned, coming as they do from the fountain head—the land of the Palmetto, the head quarters of the "Democratic" forces.

COL. FORNEY IN DANGER.—We suggested the other day, in view of the fact that the *Pennsylvanian* had exterminated what it called "Niggerism" in Philadelphia, that it should transfer the sphere of its labors to Beaver county, and let the Beaver *Star* go to Philadelphia and exterminate the democracy there as effectually as it has done in Beaver. But the advice was unnecessary. The *Pennsylvanian* will save the *Star* that trouble. It has undertaken that pleasant task itself. The issue of that paper of Saturday last contains the first of a series of articles against Col. Forney, in which the war is opened upon him in grand style, with a promise of indefinite continuance. We look on with amazement and admiration.

The occasion of this outbreak upon the gallant but defeated Colonel is the appearance in Philadelphia of a prospectus of a new democratic paper to be published in that city by him, to be called the *Press*. The *Pennsylvanian* regrets the necessity of saying anything unkind of him. It cites the fact that it has always been his friend and defender; but that, it says, was when he *deserved* to be defended; and now that he has made himself the aggressor (by starting a new paper?) "covertly as well as openly seeking to attack those who have always rejoiced in his good [and in his bad?] fortune," its duty is plain, and it *must* speak. So hear it:

"We owe the discharge of this duty to the Democratic Party—to Col. Forney we owe nothing. So long as our columns could be used for his own purposes, sometimes under the guise of serving the party, it was well. But now that his political fortunes are past help, we are coolly requested by him, through his friends, to resign the control of our paper to him or to dispossess ourselves by an absolute sale, at a price which he knows to be less than one-half of its value, and which would involve our pecuniary ruin. Our refusal to his proposition, brought the threat that a new organ would be commenced, and that a few months would be sufficient to blot us out of existence. Are we to be thus coerced and driven into an arrangement which has for its object not the good of our party, but which, it is hoped, will re-instate in the ranks of the Democracy a defeated candidate for office and allay the gnawings of a disappointed and ruined ambition?

What has Col. Forney done, that he should ask and expect this? Does the party owe it to him to redress his imaginary wrongs and to repair the injuries which his own ambitious folly has inflicted? No; it has other and higher aims. Besides, what cause has he for complaint? Has he not been nursed in the lap of our party; has it not given him its honors and emoluments; did it, not recently seek to place him in a position next to that of the President, and did not this paper and the President himself (perhaps unwisely) aid in the effort? And yet we have it seems earned a hostility which can only be satisfied by our annihilation.

Whilst Mr. Buchanan, among the special friends of Col. Forney, is the subject of loud complaint and bitter revilings, does the President deserve to be branded as an ingrate? Has he not asked Col. Forney to take a position in his government, the best in his gift among those for which Col. Forney is fitted and worth as tendered to him, at least $15,000 per annum, besides from his friends an outfit in cash of $10,000? Does this look like ingratitude on the part of the President for services rendered? We speak thus in justice to Mr. Buchanan. It is rendered necessary by the clamor of Col. Forney's friends, who would have the country believe him an injured and neglected man, and by implication at least, lay the sin at the door of the President. We have thus stated a few thoughts which we propose to elaborate at another time, and having taken our stand, with a full knowledge of the responsibility that attaches to it, and with a determination to maintain it at all hazards, we will defend it with such an array of facts and figures as will afford Col. Forney full scope for the exercise of his arithmetic, and ample material for more than one number of his forthcoming paper.

THE *Chronicle* goes into tremendous spasms over our citation, yesterday, of its political unfairness. It makes no reparation for that unfairness, and would probably never have alluded to it, but for our notice, any more than it would have done concerning that equally unfair paragraph about "The Old Sinner," Giddings, had it not been forced to take it back: but it comes at us with an (inapplicable) Act of Assembly, and threatens us with a prosecution for misdemeanor for daring to beat it in the race for city printing. We are not very much alarmed about the threatened prosecution; in the meantime, we trust we have worked a little reformation in the morals of our disingenuous neighbor.

SCHNABLE said in the Democratic Convention at Harrisburg that "the *Pennsylvanian* had never been anything else than the mouth-piece of corruption." It has always been, so far as our recollection serves, the mouth-piece of the democratic party of the State, including Schnable.

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