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THE INEVITABLE SEQUENCE.

One of the surest as well as one of the most satisfactory evidences of returned prosperity is the general advance of wages. The increase is not confined to any one section of the country, or to any one branch of industry. From the New England States, from Pennsylvania, Illinois, New York, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, Alabama and other States comes the same story of advancing wages. Cotton operatives, iron and steel workers, miners, employees of tin plate companies and other classes of workmen all have profited from an advance of wages. The commercial agencies estimated that the advance already amounted fully 175,000 workers.

During the last campaign, President McKinley said in one of his speeches that what the country wanted was not open markets, but open mills for the employment of American labor. That is what has been accomplished, thanks to the prompt measures taken by the President to secure the American market to American producers by the enactment of a Protective Tariff law. American mills have been opened and American labor employed, and now comes the inevitable sequence of an increased demand for labor, the increase of wages, and as the wages of partial Free Trade become more and more repaired under Protection, wages will probably advance more and more, until they reach high water mark in all industries. American workmen will not be likely to consent to any repetition of the folly of 1892, which resulted in the paralysis of American industries and in the ill-health of the American people.

INTERDEPENDENT PROSPERITY.

The railroad news of 1898 and 1899 under the Dingley law offers a striking contrast to the sort of railroad news which was all too common in the years of Tariff reform and the Wilson-Gorman law. Then the regulation railroad news was the going of one road after another into the hands of a receiver. Now nearly every week brings the report of the incorporation of one or more new railroad companies. The published report of the roads already in existence show increased earnings and a growing volume of business.

The general prosperity of the railroads goes to make a part of the mass of evidence, easily obtainable, which proves that the prosperity which results from a Protective Tariff is by no means limited to those persons who are engaged in industries, the products of which are subject to Tariff duties. Protection means prosperity for the country. The industrial system is one of interdependence and the prosperity of one branch of industry means the prosperity of many others.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROTECTION.

A prominent manufacturer in a recent speech said: "The United States is no longer the world's market--the whole world is now our salesroom." Every man who ever glanced at the figures of our foreign trade in 1898 and for the first month of 1899, and who has noticed, as every one must have noticed, the comparative extent of our import and our export trade, must feel the truth of this remark. And recognizing the truth, they must surely admit, if not blinded by prejudice, that the Protective Tariff policy has been justified by its fruits. The remark quoted above puts in a nutshell the achievements of Protection. Through it we have secured to the American producer the American market, the best market in the world; we have given employment to American labor; we have developed our home industries and have cheapened the cost of production until now we can, in a large and constantly growing number of cases, undersell all competitors and are in a fair way to capture the markets of the world.

PREJUDICE AGAINST SUBSIDIES.

The system of discriminating duties was on trial for a good many years, and it is noticeable that in those years there was an encouraging increase in the number of American vessels carrying the American flag. When the provisions for discriminating duties were repealed we began to lose our hold on ocean traffic, which went into the hands of Great Britain, a country which for two hundred years had encouraged by subsidy and bounty the upbuilding of the greatest merchant marine in the world. In this country prejudice was excited against the subsidy system because in two or three cases there were evasions of contracts, and in other cases it was charged that undue lobby influence had been exercised--Exchange.

Woman Bank President.

Miss Frances E. Mason is president of the National Bank in Limerick, Me., one of the sound institutions of the state. The bank was founded by her father, J. M. Mason, and its interests have been ably promoted under her leadership.

London's Policemen.

London has 13,564 policemen, or nineteen to every one of its 688 square miles.

TWO VIEWS OF THE SAME SUBJECT.



Free-Traders are tickled because they imagine that the abandonment of Protection was foreshadowed by President McKinley in his Boston speech when he said: "We have quit discussing the Tariff and have turned our attention to getting trade wherever it can be found."



Protectionists are pleased because they know precisely what President McKinley meant when he said in his Boston speech: "It will be a long time before any change can be had or any change desired in our fiscal policy, except to strengthen it. The differences on this question which existed have disappeared. We have turned from academic theories to trade conditions, and are seeking our share of the world's markets."

THE THING TO DO.

The future fiscal course of the United States in its newly-acquired possessions is a question of absorbing interest outside our own country. Great Britain is particularly concerned to know to what extent, if any, the economic policy which had made America the most envied among the nations of the earth is going to be modified in reference to new territorial conditions, and new trade possibilities; in short, how wide the "open door" is to be in a recent issue the Newcastle "Journal" dealt with the question at considerable length in its relations to British prospects and probabilities. The writer is duly impressed with the magnitude of the events of the past year and is moved to say that:

The rapid extension of the trade of the United States of late years, and the prodigious acceleration of its rate of progress during and since the naval war with Spain, are most extraordinary facts in the modern history of the world's trade. Like all similar facts they have naturally excited feelings of pride and exultation in the United States.

The determination of the United States to enter upon a career of trade conquest has not been misunderstood by the commercial interests of the Old World. They evidently appreciate the fact that a new era of vast importance is at hand. They see the full significance of the fact that the waterway connecting the two oceans is to be absolutely under the control of the United States, on this point the Newcastle "Journal" remarks:

A committee of the Senate has decided that the flag of the States shall wave over the canal when it is finished, and the new waterway will add enormously to the prestige and power, as well as to the trade and commerce, that are certain to follow the annexation of Hawaii and the Philippines. The United States will then enter into direct rivalry with Great Britain, Russia, Germany, France, China and Japan in the Far East, in the vast Pacific area estimated by Lavasseur in 1892 to contain at least a population of 1,500,000,000; while on the shores washed by the waters to be connected with the Atlantic by the Nicaragua Canal there is a population of about 875,000,000--less than half of which dwells in China, and more than a quarter of which is occupied by the Asian dependencies of Great Britain.

If the passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific is controlled jointly by Great Britain and the United States, the British Empire and the United States, the British Empire and the colonies, especially our Australian colonies, who are watching the onward progress of the United States with the deepest interest, would no doubt share largely the benefits of the trade certain to be developed in the Far East. But if the Nicaragua Canal is to be a monopoly of the United States--fortified on its sides and at both ends, and patrolled by United States war vessels; and if Hawaii and the Philippines are to be shut to our trade, like Cuba and Porto Rico, by high Tariffs, the prospects will be very different for the future of our trade in the Pacific and in its seaboard.

On the whole, the outlook is not cheering from the British view-point, aged to hope for a very large share in the commercial round-up. They are afraid that, once having tasted the fruits of a tremendous prosperity, the American people will not take kindly to a diet made up of the moldy chestnuts of Free Trade. The "Journal" says:

There is no symptom of and tendency, in Congress or the Senate, to change the fiscal policy of the United States; and as far as can be guessed from the language of the American press and of American public men, the "boom" that has followed the new Tariff, after a brief spurt of Free Trade in the Wilson Tariff of the Cleveland regime, has confirmed the opinion held in many influential quarters that from 1813 to 1898 a Free Trade policy has generally resulted in "lean" years, while the various returns to Protection in 1813, 1840-42, 1890-'92,

and 1896 to 1898, have been mostly marked by extraordinary advances in the volume and value of American trade.

If anything were needed to confirm the people of the United States in their determination to adhere firmly to the policy which brings the "fat" years, and to take to themselves every benefit of that policy which shall be involved in the enlarged horizon of possibilities now opened to view the fear and dreads of foreign competitors furnish that confirmation. A safe economic rule for this country in the future as in the past is to do the thing which foreigners are most afraid we shall do--preserve America for Americans. It is only when we have departed from that rule that the "lean" years have come.

Paris Strikers at Work.

Paris, May 20.--The striking Post Office employes have resumed work. They marched into the Post Office building in a body and proceeded to the sorting rooms.

Notice.

The examination of applicants for common school diplomas in districts having adopted the Berkeley course of study will occur as follows:

For Colley, at Lopez, May 31.

For Forks, Elkland and Fox, at Forksville, June 5.

For Laporte Boro., Laporte Twp. and Davidson, at Laporte, June 6.

Examinations will begin promptly at 9:30. F. W. MEYLER, Co. Supt.

P. O. S. of A.

It is much desired that the members of W. C. 294, P. O. S. of A. be present at the regular meeting Friday, May 26, to make arrangements for Decoration Day.

W. P. SHOEMAKER, Sec'y.

Cabbage, cauliflower, tomato and celery plants will be for sale at reasonable prices. Please leave orders at the store of Mrs. M. C. Lauer.

Administratrix Notice.

Estate of Clinton E. Lawrence, late of Colley township, Sullivan county, deceased. Letters of Administration upon the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned all persons having claims against the same will present them for payment, duly authenticated; all those indebted thereto will please make immediate payment.

MARY M. LAWRENCE, Admrx. Lopez, Pa., March 27, 1899.

A. T. ARMSTRONG, SONESTOWN, PA.

DEALER IN Flour Feed and Groceries

- 132 pounds of pure Lard for \$1.00
Baking molasses, 25 to 50c.
8 pounds Rolled Oats for 25c.
7 pounds of Corn Starch for 25c.
7 pounds of Laundry Starch for 25c.
2 pounds of Rio Coffee for 25c.
8 bars of Lenox Soap for 25c.
No. 1 mackerel per pound 8c.
Best Sugar Coated Hams @ 11c per lb.
Buckwheat Flour 25 pound sack \$4.50.
Buckwheat Flour 100 pounds, \$1.80.
Yellow Corn per 100 pounds 90c.
Corn Meal or Cracked Corn 90c.
Corn, Oats and Barley Chop 90c.
Wheat Bran 200 pounds \$1.50.
Flour middlings, 140 pound sack \$1.40.
Fine middlings 200 pounds \$1.60.
Flour per sack \$1.00.
Winter Roller per sack \$1.00.
Good Flour 90c.
Rye Flour 25 pounds, 50c.
Graham Flour 12 1/2 pounds 30c.
Common Fine Salt per barrel \$1.20.

Williamsport & North Branch R.R. TIME TABLE.

In Effect Tuesday Sept. 13, 1898.

Table with columns for Northward and Southward, listing stations and times.

All trains daily except Sunday: 17 g stations.

Connections with the Philadelphia & Reading at Halle, for all points north and south, and the Fall Brook and Beech Creek railroads. At Satterfield for all points on the Lehigh Valley railroad. At Sonestown with the Eagles Mere railroad.

R. E. EAVENSON, General Manager, Hughesville, Pa.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on the kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10c, 25c, 50c. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic, cleans your blood and keeps it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets--beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-Tor-Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago - New York.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever, 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

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If you are going to paint your house or barn write me for prices on paint. A full line of garden tools and seeds on hand. We can repair your tinware, pump etc. put up your eave trough and spouting, put on your tin and iron roofing, install for you Hot Air, Hot Water and Steam Heaters. Will give you estimates on the spot same. If you think of buying a range call and look my stock over. I have some of the finest ranges made.

A complete stock of Building Hardware and iron work for wagons and buggies also on hand. My stock of pumps consists of every thing from 1.25 up. Double and single acting, lift and force pumps for deep or shallow wells. For the butter makers I have butter ladders and bowls all sizes and six different kinds of churns. Chicken wire 2 feet to 6 feet at

CUNNINGHAM'S HARDWARE STORE, DUSHORE.

For garden seeds, maple sugar, syrups and molasses go to J. W. Buck, Sonestown.

For shovels, hoes, grub-hoes, picks axes, manure forks, garden rakes, etc. go to John W. Buck, Sonestown.

Strawberry and vanilla cream at Ritter's Ice Cream Parlor, Laporte.

New lot of muslins, gingham and calicoes at J. W. Buck's Sonestown.

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for women and men. We have a stock of women's shoes that is unequalled hereabouts. The shapes are dainty, the leather fine, the workmanship exquisite, and the fit perfect. Prices are right.

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The finest hearse in the county, with equipments to match.

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Three Big Stores-- MUNCY VALLEY, PROCTOR, PA.

Have Bounded Into still Greater favor

You know we beat everybody on General Merchandise, not alone on quality but in lowness of prices. We intend to make this year a memorable one in our business and for this reason we have reduced prices that will make it profitable for you to do your trading with us.

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Our prices always touch the lowest ebb in General Merchandise. Our stock is absolutely complete.

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is the woman who must entertain unexpected company--unless she is well supplied with canned and bottled groceries. If her pantry shelves are nicely lined with our famous brands of pickles, soups, vegetables, canned meats and fish and crackers she is completely

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