

OF MYSELF.

This only grant me, that my means may be
Too low for envy, for contempt too high.

Martha-Mother.

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Although she made no complaint, her heart was slowly breaking.

woman echo her daughter's despairing words. Day by day she saw her husband grow more infatuated.

At last she was left alone, utterly alone; for her husband had no thought for anything but the shifting will of the wisp that he had chased for so many years.

The lonely woman was sitting one evening in the dark little parlor her



"You don't say! A little girl! My! daughters had hated so when her husband stumbled under the steps.

by any one except his old friend, and after many trials he was put back in the stable and another horse took his place.

ARTIFICIAL STONES.

Ingredients Used in Making Them That Deceive the Elect.

To meet the growing demand for artificial jewelry the process of making 'precious stones' has been greatly improved within the last few years.

BEAUTIFUL HANDS.

To Be One's Own Manicure Is Not a Difficult Matter.

To be one's own manicure is not at all a difficult matter, and requires only patience and a certain deftness.

Baby's Pictures.

The trials that beset the amateur photographer are many, but the pure joy of obtaining a good picture now and then compensates him for frequent failures.

Simple Life of Holland's Queen.

No wealthy American girl could in her home live more simply than Queen Wilhelmina, and her regime is a model which any young women of humble birth might follow with advantage.

TARIFF IMBROGLIO

SOME EFFECTS OF RUSSIA'S RETALIATORY POLICY.

Secretary Gage's Action Regarding Countervailing Duties Seems to Have Emboldened Free-Traders and Frightened Some Timid Protectionists.

In the vast quantity of comment called forth by the decision of Secretary Gage regarding the enforcement of the Dingley law relating to countervailing duties and the retaliatory action of the Russian government in connection with that decision, it is gratifying to encounter the cool common sense, the level-headed logic, with which this question is treated editorially by the Cincinnati "Times-Star."

None of these considerations affect the free-trade democratic newspapers. They denounce the secretary's decision as provocative of a continental combine for the purpose of shutting out all imports of American products, and they demand the repeal of the Dingley law and the abandonment of the American system of protection as the only way out of the difficulty.

"Do the manufacturers who are protesting against the present Russian tariff imbroglio ever stop to consider this proposition: 'If the American tariff is to be altered every time some European nation finds its provisions objectionable, what will ultimately become of the protective policy?'"

"It is probably true that the present situation is disastrous to some individual enterprises; but not in the degree which it was at first sought to impress upon the public. Don't let European nations get the idea that when Russia, to whom we sell less than one-half of one per cent of our total exports, threatens to cut off that infinitesimal trade, we are prepared to bow down and alter our tariff laws, or other governments of more moment to us as customers may decide that it is possible for them to secure like changes."

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shall come to that, a good and sufficient reason for abandoning the policy of protection to American labor and industry.

THE ORTHODOX SORT.

Reciprocity on Non-Competitive Articles Is What This Country Should Have.

Not a little of the argument which is made in favor of the reciprocity treaties which have been negotiated with different countries is claimed to be based on the paragraph in the Republican platform referring to reciprocity.

"We renew our faith in the policy of Protection to American labor. . . We favor the associated policy of reciprocity, so directed as to open our markets on favorable terms for what we do not ourselves produce, in a return for free foreign markets."

This is the true protective policy, to which the Republican party pledged its support; this is the kind of reciprocity for which the people voted when they returned the Republican party to power.

On the other hand, reciprocity treaties formed in accordance with the pledge contained in the Republican platform—that is, reciprocity treaties framed in accordance with the great American policy of giving to the output of American producers a right of way in the American market, will receive as ardent support from protectionists as from free-traders, and will in no way be opposed to the American system of protection.

AN ABSURD PURSUIT.



Free Trade Argument Travels Around in a Circle, Like a Dog Chasing His Own Tail.

SHOULD BE STOPPED.

Use of Foreign Labels on American Products to Be Prohibited by Law.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that it is a violation of law meriting severe punishment to put foreign labels upon American wines.

The "Republican" probably overstates the case in asserting that "most of our best wines are disguised by foreign labels." Deception of this kind is practiced to a considerable extent, and it should be stopped with all the vigor and severity which the Commissioner of Internal Revenue can bring to bear upon the subject.

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OPERATIONS FOR CANCER.

If Taken in Time This Disease Can Be Cured.

Dr. Herbert Snow, an eminent English authority on cancer, notes the increased number of deaths from cancer (from 8,117 in 1864 to 22,945 in 1895 in England), and urges a more scientific study of cancer.

"It must be borne in mind that the majority of the sufferers are perfectly curable by a surgical operation within certain limits of time. In 90 per cent, or nine out of every ten cancer cases, the organ attacked is amenable to the resources of practical surgery, applied not merely to palliate, but to eradicate permanently.

The only really ab initio incurable cases of cancer are those wherein an internal organ essential to life is the primary site, and such constitute a very small minority of the whole. The popular idea is that 'cancer' is 'something in the system,' a mysterious entity, which when cut out in one place is certain to show itself sooner or later again, either there or in some other locality.

WHAT "V" MEANT.

The Mysterious Emblem Adopted by a Boy at Amherst College.

Many years ago a young fellow entered the freshman class at Amherst College—a lad with a square jaw, a steady eye, a pleasant smile and a capacity for hard and persistent work.

Transplanting Races Improves Physique.

It is asserted by ethnologists that the transplantation of the European races to newer countries results in the improvement of the physique. The French Canadian, for example, is of more hardy frame than the Frenchman in his own country, and the colonial-born Englishman, whether in Canada, South Africa or Australasia, is, on the average, slightly taller, though not heavier, than the natives of those islands.

MDCOC or MDCD or MCM?

How shall we express the century in Roman numerals? Shall it be MDCOC or MDCD or MCM? If we adopt the first style we lay up for those of us who survive till 1988 the following overpowering combination:—MDCOCLXXXVIII.



and kissed him right in the court.
the first time Harry ever asked me; but I won't go with him in that old, faded dress. The girls at school all laugh at it; and he's so particular. And the house is so shabby I'm ashamed to ask him here. I hate the Emily K. and all the rest of 'em."

REFUSE CONSOLATION.

Dogs, Horses and Birds Sometimes Become Broken-Hearted.

There have been many cases on record of animals dying of "broken hearts," usually dogs and horses, and sometimes birds. Not long ago a young lady living in London who owned a Gordon setter that was very fond of her, was married, and moved to the country, says Golden Penny. The dog was left behind, and at once became inconsolable. He would eat nothing, and stood looking out of the window for hours at a time, whining and moaning pitifully.