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OUR FOREIGN TRADE

LARGE INCREASE BOTH IN IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

Under Conditions So Satisfactory It Would Seem That Experiments With Our Economic System Are Neither Necessary Nor Desirable.

The export trade of the United States is rapidly resuming its normal conditions. It exhibits no pressing need of artificial stimulants in the form of special trade treaties. February figures of the Bureau of Statistics show the largest exports of any February in the history of our commerce, and also show that the exports of the three months ending with February were larger than those of the corresponding period of any earlier year. On the import side, the figures also show a continuation of the growth which has characterized the last two years. The figures of the eight months ending with February suggest that the imports of the United States in the fiscal year 1903 may exceed \$1,000,000,000, while the export figures seem likely to exceed \$1,400,000,000.

In the short month of February alone the exports amounted to \$125,502,105, which is \$12,000,000 in excess of any preceding February, and more than double the figures of February, 1893, in which month the total exports were \$59,931,984. Taking the three months ending with February, 1903, the total exports are \$407,526,200, against \$215,151,471 in the three months ending with February, 1893. Thus considering either the month of February or the three months ending with February, 1903, the total exports are not only larger than in that period of any preceding year, but practically double those of a decade ago.

The following table shows the total exports from the United States in the three months of December, January and February, from 1893 to 1903:

Three months ending with—	February, Ttl. exp.	February, Ttl. exp.	
1893.....	\$215,151,471	1899.....	\$347,279,191
1894.....	244,667,256	1900.....	390,292,166
1895.....	222,858,544	1901.....	353,172,486
1896.....	257,201,049	1902.....	367,656,414
1897.....	290,358,895	1903.....	407,526,200
1898.....	328,338,088		

The outside world keeps right on buying of us much more than it sells to us, and we keep right on increasing our purchases from abroad because we are prosperous and able to buy. It would seem on all accounts to be a very satisfactory state of things, almost an ideal state of things. Why, then, should we venture upon doubtful experiments that are approved neither in theory nor in practice? Why bother our heads about reciprocity?

INSISTS ON THE IOWA IDEA.

Gov. Cummins Evidently Bent on Keeping in the Public Eye.

The redoubtable young governor of Iowa, Mr. Cummins, has an idea and cannot get rid of it. He eats it, sleeps it and works it on all occasions. He announces that he will insist from now until the national convention that the Iowa idea of tariff revision be made a feature of the platform. He is not a free trader, but he is against a tariff on iron and steel, for instance, and on other undefined things which go to make up "monopolies." All of us are against monopolies, but until Mr. Cummins can place his finger directly on the tariff and show the country a section which works undoubtedly ill without any compensations there will be little tendency to take him seriously.

Just why at this time should arise in the gopher hills of Iowa a desire to emancipate the rest of the country from the duty on iron and steel manufactures is not apparent. The schedules in question do not affect any Hawkeye industry. If Gov. Cummins has given that attention to the subject which he ought he will know that prices of iron and steel manufactures are not governed by the tariff, but by the enormous demand, so that not only are we selling every pound that can be manufactured here, but we are importing largely from various parts of the world. It would not be a dollar in the pockets of any man in Iowa if the whole iron and steel schedules were wiped out, but it would be ruin to many of the people there who are interested in other industries. The farmers of Iowa do not eat steel rails for breakfast nor feed pig iron to their hogs. They get rich feeding the people of this country, who are just now able to buy enormously, since they have big wages or incomes from one source or another.

It is regrettable that Mr. Cummins should insist on a campaign which can be of no service to the country and can only give aid and comfort to the Democracy. We wonder if Mr. Cummins remembers the situation in Iowa in 1893 to '97. Does he want to live those weary years over again? Of course not. The trouble is that he has some of the Democratic absurd notions about political economy which are learned only in books. He sets aside experience for the allurement of sentimental philosophy. Mr. Cummins is mistaken. He is keeping his name before the public, but not in a way that will do him or his party any good. We have no doubt that the Dingley bill could be improved, but we do not think it can be along the lines proposed by Mr. Cummins. If once the effort is made to tinker with that instrument we will have depression in business and losses all along the line, with mighty little compensation anywhere. We suggest that the Iowa idea be embalmed and buried.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Free Trade and Coal. The Great Falls Tribune asserts that "instead of hurting the coal mining

industry in this part of the state the repeal of the tariff on coal is likely to cause an increase in the consumption of Belt and Sand Coulee coal."

The Record certainly hopes such will be the case, but nothing that the Tribune offers would lead to that conclusion.

The Tribune argues that the action of the Canadian mine owners will lead to this increased consumption of home coal. This action consists in reducing the price of Canadian coal 25 cents a ton from what it has been selling at in the American markets. The Tribune argues that this reduction will make American consumers so wrath at the selfishness of the Canadian companies that they will buy more coal than ever of the home companies. Let us hope so, although we don't believe a word of it.

However, that is no argument in favor of free trade—or, as the Tribune would put it, "tariff reform"—which would put coal on the free list for all time, instead of for a year as a temporary expedient to relieve the distress in the least caused by the shortage. The reduction of the duty is 67 cents a ton, and the Canadian companies could make a reduction to that extent if they so desired in order to control the markets this side of the line. They can mine coal cheaper than we can, because they employ Chinese and Japanese labor, with Asiatic wages, while American mines pay American wages.—Helena (Mont.) Record.

Let It R. I. P.



"I WAS WELL,
"I WOULD BE BETTER,
"I TOOK MEDICINE,
"AND HERE I AM."

THE IOWA IDEA
BORN 1902 DIED 1903

"Fighting Cummins?" No! It is neither fair nor logical on the part of the Sioux City Journal to accuse the Des Moines Capital and the American Economist of "fighting Cummins." To resist the program of partial or complete free trade as a means of dealing with the trust question is not "fighting Cummins." To oppose the "potential competition" of foreign products for the sake of reducing domestic prices is not "fighting Cummins." To deprecate reciprocity in competitive products as an unjust domestic policy and an unwise foreign policy is not "fighting Cummins." To urge that Republicans keep their hands off the Dingley tariff for at least two years to come and let the Democrats do all the agitating for tariff "reform" is not "fighting Cummins." As we understand the Capital's position, that very sound and able newspaper is not "fighting Cummins" at all. Neither is the American Economist "fighting Cummins." In both cases there is no desire to lay a straw in the way of the Governor's ambition for re-election. If Iowa Republicans want him as governor for another term, that is their business, not ours. What we are fighting is not Cummins, but the "idea" which he stands for. We believe that that "idea" involves the ultimate breaking down of the American protective tariff system. Hence we are fighting the "idea."

Tariff on Coal.

The coal duty is the very oldest of the protective measures on the statute books of this country. The original tariff act of 1789 imposed a duty upon coal of every kind and quality, and there has never been a time until now when bituminous coal entered the country free of duty. The need for protection in the East and Middle West has long gone by, so there was not a coal operator in any of the sections now suffering from the coal shortage who interposed the slightest objection to the repeal of a duty which was meaningless to him. The tariff did protect an industry in the state of Washington. Its removal is a heavy blow to this state; and the worst of it—the really irritating point—is that the action of Congress will be absolutely without any benefit to the coal consumers in whose interests it was ostensibly taken.—Seattle Post Intelligencer.

Why Not.

"Senator Nelson introduced an amendment providing for the change of flour from the general class, which receives a 20 per cent concession from the Cuban tariff, to that class which is to receive a 40 per cent concession." Well, why not? If the Northwestern farmer is going to be prevented from raising sugar beets because of the preferential bounty voted to Cuban planters, he might at least be compensated to a trifling extent by a wider opening through which flour may enter the Cuban market. It wouldn't make up for the loss of profits on beet growing, to be sure, but it would be something. As the treaty stands the American farmer gets precious little out of it except a black eye. All the prize packages go to the Cuban farmer.

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A Chip Off the Old Block.

Winston Churchill's fearlessness in his speeches has won him much praise in England. He is said to possess the same audacity, the same reverence for his elders, the same mocking sarcasm as his father, the late Lord Randolph Churchill. Already he has made many number of enemies among the older politicians, who take themselves very seriously and to whom it is not agreeable to be held up to public derision by one whom they regard as a mere stripling. But young Winston cares little for the animosity he excites and seems determined to follow the policy of his father, who was always a terror to his own party.

They "Waited" and "Saw."

Warren's Corners, N. Y., April 20th.—"Wait and see—you're better now, of course, but the cure won't last."

This was what the doctors said to Mr. A. B. Smith of this place. These doctors had been treating him for years and he got no better. They thought that nothing could permanently cure him. He says: "My kidneys seemed to be so large that there wasn't room for them, and at times it seemed as if ten thousand needles were running through them. I could not sleep on my left side for years, the pain was so great in that position. I had to get up many times to urinate, and my urine was sometimes clear and white as spring water, and again it would be high-colored and would stain my linen. The pain across my back was awful. I was ravenously hungry all the time."

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