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The civil service records of the past three years show that out of the number of men applicants examined for government offices only a little over one-half passed, while four-fifths of the women applicants passed.

In Texas there is a stone about twenty feet in diameter that has won derful magnetic power. It is said that it will draw a hammer or an ax to its surface even when placed ten to fifteen feet away on the ground.

A South African mining journal says the surfaces of numerous bowlders have been polished by the constant rubbing of countless herds of large game, such as the wildebeest. These examples of the attrition of rocks by animals are found in a good many parts of the Transvaal.

James Robert McKee, the president's son-in-law, has now been in business in Boston for a year, and is said to like the city very much. Thus far he has lived at a hotel, but it is probable that before many months he will be settled permanently in Boston with Mrs. McKee.

Mrs. Annie Laurie Diggs, alliance orator, is held in great esteem in Kansas, where Mrs. Lease, her willow associate and rival, has reached that period of popular aphelion at which she is unkindly referred to as "a salaried nightmarer—masculine and bewhiskered."

A stretch of track across the pampas on the new Argentine Pacific railroad from Buenos Ayres to the foot of the Andes is 211 miles long, without a curve, a single bridge, an opening larger than an ordinary drain, a cut greater than one meter in depth, or an embankment more than one meter in height.

A new viaduct over the River Lea, in Bolivia, for the Antofagasta railroad, is described as the highest viaduct in the world. It is 9,833 feet above the sea level and the height of the viaduct above the river is 4,008 feet. It is 10,497 feet long, the highest pillar is 3,738 feet and the weight of the structure is 9,115 tons.

Mosquitoes and strawberries make a queer combination, certainly, but that is what the people in the neighborhood of Mount St. Elias can boast of in a region of perpetual ice and snow. Along the edge of the glacier, it is said, is a strip of luxuriant vegetation, where strawberry vines cover the ground for miles.

Epicures will be interested to know that Herr Klentz, a German scientist, declares Cheshire and Roquefort to be the most easily digestible cheeses. Emmenthal, Gorgonzola and Neufchatel come next, with Eric a bad sixth and Swiss cheese least easily digestible of all. But the professor is silent about Camembert, best of cheeses.

Much speculation has been indulged in as to the nature of the glow worm's light, which is not put out by water nor seemingly capable of giving forth any heat. It has been asserted that the light diffusing substance contains phosphorus, but this has never been proved. Certainly it is incapable of communicating ignition to anything.

There is an effort making in Savannah to build a monument to Father Ryan, the poet priest of the confederacy. Few southerners have had a more picturesque career than his, and few are more deserving of a monument. And yet the one Father Ryan raised himself in his songs is, like that of the Roman poet, "more enduring than brass."

In the cold regions of the far north, where timber or bark is difficult or impossible to get, boats of skin are almost exclusively employed. To provide material for them the native hunter relies upon the seal, the seal lion and the walrus. Many patterns of such craft are utilized in the fisheries pursued among the Aleutian islands and elsewhere on the Alaskan coast.

Prince Lucien Bonaparte, who died in England a few weeks ago, left to the country of his adoption his famous cabinet of chemical elements. Some of the specimens are exceedingly valuable. Among them are gold, platinum, iridium and germanium, which is worth sixty times as much as gold. The prince's collection was one of the most perfect in existence.

Fish are drowned when taken from the water into the air, and animals when put even for a short time under water, but the axolotl cannot be drowned anywhere. Yet he is nowhere safe, for the inhabitants of the place where he is found—Mexico, New Mexico and Texas—think that his flesh is very good to eat, and catch great numbers of the axolotl for food, which they cook in various ways.

The composer Rossini was one of the 'arliest of mortals. After he had produced his crowning triumph, "Guillaume Tell," composed at the age of 37, he passed thirty-nine years in activity, amusing himself at Bologna by fishing and pig farming. He had so great an antipathy to exertion and was so enamored of "self-sufficing solitude," as Wordsworth calls it, that it is doubtful if he would go out of his way now, if he were alive, to hear the anthems of praise that are sung for him.

SHORT TARIFF SERMONS.

Free trade dishonesty and deceit is nowhere more conspicuous than in the statements regarding the average ad valorem rate of duty. The subject is at best a chimerical one. It is like chasing rainbows to attempt to calculate or anticipate a future average.

It cannot be more than guessed at, for the average rate does not depend on the rate of duty, but on the value and amount of importations. Thus the average ad valorem rate may change from year to year, while there has been no change in the tariff whatever.

The only way, then, is to calculate on actual values of importations and duty collected. This will not be a true average, but perhaps the nearest that can be computed.

Every free-trade paper in the country is still maintaining that the average rate under the McKinley tariff is 60 per cent. Now, what are the actual facts? The latest figures at hand are those ending September 30, 1891. During the twelve months ending on that day our imports were valued as follows:

Free of duty.....	\$419,465,439 97
Dutiable.....	413,203,165 11
Total.....	\$832,668,605 08
Total duties collected during these twelve months.....	\$193,040,020 41

It will be seen, then, that during the twelve months ending September 30, 1891 the average rate of duty on dutiable imports was 47 per cent, while on total imports, the honest way of reckoning, it was only 23 per cent.

The free trader is not only dishonest in his amount, but he uses a dishonest method in getting at it. He only computes the rate on dutiable imports. By this mode of reckoning Great Britain's average rate is nearly 100 per cent. Suppose our \$800,000,000 worth of imports all came in duty free with the exception of \$100,000 worth, upon which we collected \$50,000 duty. Would our average rate of duty be 50 per cent?

The fact is, as nearly as we can calculate it, that our present average rate is only 23 per cent.—less than at any time since 1861.

Foreign Markets. What and where are the great markets of the world for which the free trader would give up our splendid home market?

The following table shows the purchases of the whole world in 1889, according to that eminent free trade statistician, Michael G. Mulhall:

	Million \$	Million \$
U. K.....	3,077	Holland..... 510
France..... 1,610	Switzerland..... 106	
Germany..... 952	Greece..... 15	
Russia..... 499	Romania..... 11	
Austria..... 233	Serbia..... 15	
Italy..... 272	Bulgaria..... 14	
Spain..... 141	Turkey..... 97	
Portugal..... 133	Canada..... 83	
Sweden..... 77	Australia..... 33	
Norway..... 43	South Africa..... 41	
Denmark..... 72	Mexico..... 11	
Belgium..... 296	Central America..... 24	
South America..... 277	Persia..... 24	
West Indies..... 144	Egypt..... 34	
India..... 292	Algeria..... 43	
China..... 126	Cuba..... 48	
Japan..... 58	Other countries..... 104	
Java..... 61		
		7,833

Here are the buyers of the whole world. Now, which of them does our free trader expect to capture by his "lower cost of production?" Even the abiding faith of an American Cobdenite can not hope for greatly increased sales of the products of American mills in the shadow of English factories, so Great Britain and its 3,077 millions may be eliminated. Next subtract France, Germany, Russia, Austria, Italy, Spain and Portugal, Belgium, Canada, Switzerland, Scandinavia and Australia, all of which are protected countries, whose policy is to preserve for their own manufactures a monopoly of the domestic market. The protectionist law makers of these countries will see to it that no very extensive "captures" of their markets are made by the United States or any other country. There remains then as the only part of this great world's market of 7,833 million dollars only 1,698 millions for which we can even hope.

Well, what are our prospects for obtaining this remnant? Holland, the most liberal buyer, exports nearly as much iron and steel of all kinds as it imports. As for textiles, it usually exports quite as much as it imports of them and sends to England three times as much as it takes of British products. India is beginning, with the help of its extremely low wage rate, to supply its own demand for manufactures and will soon be a dangerous competitor in these "markets of the world." Cottons are the principal manufactured goods needed in the Orient, and it is altogether probable that the demand of China, Java and Japan will soon be abundantly supplied with Oriental cottons at so low a rate that competition by either England or the United States will be out of the question. Turkey, Africa and the "other countries" have but few wants, and these are for the most part such as we could not supply.

Thus do the "great markets of the world" disappear under careful examination and analysis. If the whole \$1,698,000,000 which represents the purchases of the world's "neutral" market were offered to us in exchange for our domestic market we could not afford to accept. Our home trade is at least ten times this amount annually. All its profits are kept at home, and the risk of distant ocean transportation is reduced to a minimum. Its benefits and blessings are incalculable, and it will be a dark and dismal day when this splendid birthright is bartered away for that miserable mess of pottage, "the world's neutral markets."—American Economist.

A FEW months ago about every free trade paper in the land was certain that the senate would not dare to reject the separate bills for abolishing the duty on this and the other item in the McKinley list of dutiable articles. It is significant as showing the growing popularity of the new law and the increasing confidence in its effectiveness as the platform of the party of protection that these same papers now confess that neither the free wool bill nor any other free trade measure can even pass the senate, much less the president's veto.

WHO PAYS THE TARIFF?

It Depends Upon the Kind of Tariff Who Pays It or Whether It is a Tax—The Fallacy of the Free Trade Argument Exposed—Everything Cheaper Under Protection Than It Would be Under Free Trade. If a revenue or free trade tariff, such as the former duty on sugar or tin plate, we pay it all; if a protective tariff, but eventually the foreigner pays nearly if not quite all of it on goods actually imported. If we prefer to buy English goods, however, even though the American goods are better and cheaper, then, of course, we pay the duty. This is a tax on Anglomaniac, but on ordinary products, brought in to compete with domestic products made on a large scale and already in practical possession of the domestic market, the importer, the foreign manufacturer and the foreign laborer pay the duty.

In this connection we quote the following from a recent number of London Fair Trade: If we are to retain a hold on foreign markets, slight though it may be, wages must be kept down that the high foreign tariffs may be overcome. One of the greatest arguments against the theory that the consumer pays the import duty is to be found in the fact that when a foreign nation increases the tariff on a British product, the establishment charges as well as the wages on this side of the water are lowered, in order to give the manufacturer or the merchant a chance to deal successfully with the change. If the consumer paid the duty there would be little cause for export or import. But our manufacturers and work people do make sacrifices to meet the extra duty, and we accordingly hear grumbling from both.

This is plain enough certainly, and need only be verified by actual facts. Ask the Canadian farmer who pays the American duty. Ask the Sheffield manufacturer, the Chemnitz workmen, the pearl button makers of Vienna, the tin plate makers of Wales, the foreign manufacturers of silk and linen and cutlery, and scores of other articles. They will all admit that they pay the duty if they put their goods on our market. Here is an admission from the New York Times of February 2, 1891. We produce it as being good free trade testimony indorsing our own assertions:

A statement issued by the department of agriculture for the exports to the United States from Canada for the year 1890 shows that the Dominion exported \$1,219,043 worth of agricultural products to the United States last year. The average rate of duty collected by the United States customs upon agricultural products is about 20 per cent, and it is easy to prove from the reports of Sir John Macdonald and other conservative leaders in Canada that they are by the Americans upon Canadian products exported to the United States come out of the pockets of the Canadian farmers. Hence we find that during the fiscal year 1890 no less than \$239,000,000—20 per cent. of \$1,219,043—went into the pockets of the American farmers, while the remainder went into the pockets of the American manufacturer.

It seems useless to pursue the matter further. In the face of the many articles selling for less than the tariff is a tax. Is the tariff on wire nails a tax, selling at \$1.90 a keg while the duty is 82¢? Is the tariff on a yard of calico a tax, selling at 4½ cents while the duty is 5 cents? Is the tariff on a yard of cloth a tax, selling at 75 cents while the tariff is 87½ cents? We deny that the tariff is ever a tax—that is, a burden. In cases where the tariff has been increased with a view to create and develop a new industry, even if prices are temporarily enhanced, it is simply an investment which will be repaid many fold as soon as the industry is established. The farmer does not begrudge the price of the seed in the spring which will pay him bushels of grain in the fall.

The result has been about as expected. During the year ending December 31, 1891, our imports of manufactures of wool were about \$30,000,000 less than they were the year before. Here was an increase of 60,000,000 pounds in the demand of this country for raw wool to make similar goods in this country. Manufacturers necessarily went abroad for part of their supply, for our own wool growers did not produce enough last year to supply it. But over and above the extra 30,000,000 pounds which they imported, there remains another 30,000,000 as a positive increase in demand for American wools—that is, there were 30,000,000 pounds of wool less imported during the last calendar year in the year before. So that Mr. Springer's second point, about the decreased imports of wools, answers his first about increased imports of raw wool. The net result is a gain to American labor, wool growers and wool manufacturers.

There remains, then, but one point, namely: Does the consumer pay a greater price for any domestic product because of the tariff? To this we answer, No. We do not mean to say that the duty is not in some circumstances added to the price paid in the foreign market. We do maintain, however, that if the tariff were abolished we would have to pay an equal if not a greater price than we now pay for the protected article. Imagine the tariff on woolen goods abolished to-morrow. Foreign woolen mills would find for their output a new market wider and richer than all their other foreign markets combined. The capacity for producing would remain the same, while the demand would be largely increased. Under such conditions must not prices rise? That is to say, if the tariff were abolished we could not buy in the foreign market at present prices under existing tariff conditions. That countless American products are cheaper now than foreign products would be under free trade would hardly admit of a doubt. In these cases the foreigner pays all the tariff.

We have had many cases of this kind in our history, and in every instance where the tariff has been removed or reduced below put up the price, and we have had to pay it; therefore we conclude that, while denying *in toto* that the tariff on imported goods is a tax on domestic products, as the Hon. Grover Cleveland contends, we are very far from admitting that it is always a tax even on imported goods. Foreign mill owners would be the greatest gainers by free trade. Their eagerness to break down our tariff walls ought to be sufficient proof to an impartial observer that they pay at least some, if not all, of the tariff.

In Japan, a good mechanic earns about 40 cents a day. Carpenters earn 30 cents a day, masons 25 cents, and street car conductors about \$5 a month.

GEN. ALGER'S WAR RECORD

An Explanation of His Numerous Disappearances.

The Michigan Monoplist Replies to the Criticisms of the New York Sun—Prints the Papers on File Relating to His Absences.

DETROIT, Mich., March 14.—The Detroit Tribune this morning prints two pages of General Alger's reply to the criticisms of his war record. His reply takes the form of the publication of the record itself and purports to give all the papers now on file in the war department relative to the absences, promotion and final discharge of the general. It includes favorable in-dorsements from time to time. The portion that answers the charges made by the Sun is the most interesting. The report and recommendations of General Custer are given in full, with the in-dorsements. They are as follows:

Headquarters First Brigade First Division Cavalry, Middle Military Division, September 16, 1864.—Captain A. E. Dana, A. A. G., First Division Cavalry. In compliance with the instruction of the general commanding the division I have the honor to submit the following report on the case of Colonel B. A. Alger, Fifth Michigan Cavalry, stating the time at which he left the command, for what purpose, by what authority and his present whereabouts. Colonel Alger left this command the morning of the 25th of August, as it marched through Harper's Ferry to rejoin the division near Hallowtown. He has been absent since that date. I was not aware of his absence until this brigade returned to the base of the Shenandoah, whereabouts, Colonel Alger left this command the morning of the 25th of August, as it marched through Harper's Ferry to rejoin the division near Hallowtown. He has been absent since that date. 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