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BARRIERS TO COMMERCIAL UNION

New barriers to commercial union between the United States and Canada are threatened in both countries.

On our part there is a retaliatory proposal. Senator Hoar, chairman of the committee on relations with Canada, has introduced a resolution in the senate instructing the finance committee, whenever it reports a tariff bill, to incorporate in it a provision that whenever any foreign country shall impose an export duty on logs in any form, or on manufactured or partially manufactured lumber, a duty shall be collected on such logs or lumber in the United States equal to the amount of the export duty so imposed in addition to the duty otherwise imposed by law.

Such proposals as these, which if carried into effect would still further complicate the trade relations between the United States and Canada, are apt to prove somewhat discouraging to the advocates of commercial union. They are suggestive of the difficulties to be overcome, in satisfying special interests in both countries, before any scheme of commercial union could be effected, and as there is a multitude of such interests it is manifestly a great task which the commercial unionists have undertaken, leaving wholly out of consideration the political conditions and influences that are hostile to them.

Public health demands that the city druggist prescribe at once for the widespread melancholia in the local domestic household.

The recent "improvement in business circles" in Texas is explained by the activity of citizens in leaping on the wealth of express companies.

The silver men have arranged a lobby in Washington to push favorable legislation. It is safe to say there are no gold bugs on this movement.

Mayor Cushman's cabinet is the rarest specimen of variegated timber ever glued together. The few mosaics of hardwood are lost to sight in the forest of basswood.

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strengthen the republican movement in Brazil should be done, and so far as the expression of public sentiment here is concerned, the republicans of Brazil can have no doubt of our sympathy.

UNLOAD THE TAXPAYERS. We are again reminded of the wonderful financial abilities displayed by Mayor Cushing's predecessor who "kept the city's expenses within the income."

During Mr. Broatch's term the city clerk was relieved of all auditing work which is now done by the comptroller and three clerks. More recently the city clerk has been relieved from all duties formerly devolving on him in the license board, but the city clerk still retains one deputy and two other clerks, who are kept on the payroll at higher salaries than were formerly paid to the city clerk himself.

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east made up four lines of doggerel in which he compelled the unfortunate McGisty to do duty as a rhyme for '90, bringing him up from the bottom of the sea for that purpose, and adding to his misery by compelling people to pronounce his name with a long 'i,' as though it were McGisty-ny.

THE FACT that Senator Pettigrew once he led up a queen and drew a royal flush has it is said, seriously disturbed the composure of Senator Vest and Joe Ricketz.

THE GENERAL freight agents could not be induced to express their opinion on this proposition but their demeanor showed plainly that they were not in favor of it.

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SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

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