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Advertising is to business what steam power is to machinery—the grand motive power.—Macaulay.

There is but one way of obtaining business—publicity; but one way of obtaining publicity—advertising—Blackwood

TARIFF REFORM (?).

The Ways and Means committee having in charge the tariff question has had its report given to the press, and for the information of our WEST SIDE readers we give some facts and figures based on some of the principal items under the McKinley bill, and now to be placed on the free list:

Wool—The duty is specific, and 10 and 12 cents a pound and 32 per cent ad-valorum, according to classification. During 1892 there was imported 148,670,672 pounds of foreign wool, the value of which was $19,988,108. During '92 wool brought 18 to 20 cents a pound and is now worth 8 to 10 cents, it being seen that our farmers are the ones who suffer.

Coal—The duty on this was 75 cents a ton and yet only 1,333,024 tons was imported in 1892, the value being $4,373,079. This reduction will effect the coal miners.

Lumber—Sawed lumber paid a duty of $5.50 a thousand feet, under the McKinley bill; $7,543,229 worth of lumber came into the United States during 1892. This will effect the lumbering interests.

Salt—The duty was 8 to 12 cents a 100 pounds. During 1892 the number of pounds imported was 467,151,826. This will effect the salt mines.

Iron ore—The duty was 75 cents a ton. During 1892 we imported 1,033,887 tons at a valuation of $2,592,461.

It has all along been said that the "robber tariff" was making the manufacturers rich at the expense of the farmer, and the farmer seems to have believed it, and now the tariff bill proposed, strikes at the very farmer himself and at the laborer. The manufacturer himself is to be fully protected, but the producer is not. The question now paramount is: Will the farmer and the laborer rest content with such legislation or will he vote the republican ticket? Does democratic rule suit him? If free trade is good for the farmer, why not for the manufacturer also?

WE are agreed that there was a stagnation of the money market but why should there be one now? Last August the cash reserve of the New York banks was $16,000,000 below the legal requirements, and this week they are reported as $70,000,000 above. Owing to business stagnation, brought about by the certainty of tariff changes, money is not being loaned. It is thus seen that the prosperous times predicted by the democratic party are as far off as ever.

THE ticket selected by the democrats of Independence is a strong one and contains the names of the best to be found. It will be a race where the best will win.

CONGRESS convenes on Monday next. The papers and the people will then have something to talk about.

A WITNESS of the trial of the U. S. cruiser. Columbia, becomes enthusiastic in speaking of the fast time made, and says: "Faster than the wind, faster than ship has ever broken through the rushing waves of ocean, spurning them from her, faster than the speed with which a locomotive hauling an express train hurls itself against the resisting atmosphere, is the Columbia, the latest and greatest triumph of marine architecture. Not a great liner whose propellers beat the waves of the Atlantic to-day can touch her. Not even the fastest yachts, knife-blade shape, that flit about the shallows of the great Easters harbors can escape her in a straight-away race. The Lucania, holder of the record from New York to Queenstown, and from Queenstown to New York again, the Columbia can overhaul and circle about as though she were standing still, and then if the little yacht Mr. Munro's Stiletto, would escape the American "Pirate," she must keep to the shallows where the larger vessel cannot follow her.

A certain amount of opposition is a great help to a man. Kites rise against, and not with, the wind. Even a head wind is better than none. No man ever worked his passage any where in a dead calm. Let no man wax pale, therefore, because of opposition. Opposition is what he wants, and must have to be good for any thing. Hardship is the native sail of manhood and self-reliance. He that cannot abide the storm without flinching or quailing, strips himself in the sunshine, and lays down by the wayside to be over-looked and forgotten. He who but braces himself to the struggle when winds blow, gives up when they have done, and falls asleep in the stillness that follows.—Florence West.

The lands of China are the property of the State. The agriculturists lease them a small rental, the same for centuries, and hold them so long as they are cultivated. This is the only tax which is paid in the Celestial Empire. If the lands in United States belonged to the State and those only might possess them who cultivated them, the agriculture of the country would be in better condition.

GEO. H. MOFFETT, of the *Telegram*, Gen. Geo. E. Chamberlain, Senator J. K. Weatherford and Judge A. S. Bennett, are spoken of as probable candidates for the governorship on the democratic side. Mayor Mason, Speaker Keady, Josh Geer and O. N. Denny on the republican side.

The democrats have been in control of governmental affairs eight months, and yet those "good times" promised have failed to put in an appearance. Instead there has been a season of depression almost unprecedented in this country.—Statesman.

Ad valorem duties means the bringing in of $5 articles under affidavits stating they are worth only $1. It is robbery and placing a premium on rascality.—Statesman.

Official Report of the Fair.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—The report of Auditor Ackerman, of the World's Columbian Exposition, was officially sent to the board of directors today. It shows that each day of the fair the net receipts averaged $67,096. The total figures were:

Receipts from all sources	$28,151,168
Expenditures	25,540,537
Balance	$2,610,631
Obligations to be deducted	748,147
Net Assets	$1,862,,483