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CLEVELAND calls it the "spectre of impossible free trade" but it troubles him like a nightmare just the same.

The Russian governor of Nizhni Novgorod recently issued the following proclamation: "In the Chiussee hospital to-day died the physician, Jacob Idelsohn, from cholera. The dead man was one of the first persons who voluntarily came to Nizhni Novgorod to aid the sick."

Mr. CLEVELAND argues for free raw materials as the great thing necessary to increase trade, but the boot and shoe and leather industries of Massachusetts, whose raw material (hides) is free, show a decline this year, while the tariff-ridden goods were never more prosperous.

The New York Tribune makes this pertinent inquiry: "Even if the democratic tariff-smashers were to enact a free-wool bill and, as they profess to believe they can do, were to succeed in opening foreign markets for American woolsens, in what respect would our people be in a superior position to the Bradford manufacturer, who already has free wool and has been competing for many years for foreign trade?"

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In his argument for an income tax, Governor Peppoy says: "Under the tariff, men pay to the government a tax on the food they eat, the clothes they wear, and the implements they use in their labor, and this being the case, it follows that a poor laboring man, not worth a dollar in the world, who lives by the labor of his hands, and who has a wife and eight children, pays ten times as much for the support of the federal government as his rich bachelor neighbor, who is worth a million dollars."

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date, Weaver may thank his stars that he was not greeted with loaded shot-guns in place of decayed eggs.

Well, the great encampment, the greatest in the history of the G. A. R., is over, the crowds all gone and the streets of Washington look about as usual at this season of the year, but it will be many a long year before the people, both visitors and Washingtonians, stop talking about the grand affair and the royal good time everybody had, for no person who witnessed the events of last week, particularly the parade and the reunions, can ever forget.

General Dan Sickles, who was one of the famous delegates to the Chicago convention, excited much comment among his republican comrades at the encampment by praising the soldierly qualities of Gen. Harrison, and his laying particular stress upon the fact that he fought for the Union instead of hiring a substitute as Mr. Cleveland did.

This, taken in connection with the dislike which Gen. Sickles is known to feel toward the democratic nominee, caused the prediction to be frequently made that he would be openly working for Harrison and Reid; and and he is not by any means the only democratic member of the G. A. R., who dislikes Mr. Cleveland.

The New York Tribune says: "One of the silliest devices of the free trade enemy is that of figuring out the difference of wages between England and the United States in a given industry, and after deducting the percentage from the tariff duties, charging the balance to the manufacturer as extortionate profits. The consumer has his share of the profits when prices are reduced, and the senate finance committee investigation has shown that prices have fallen in two years in nearly all domestic manufactures. It is preposterous to assume that when allowance is made for difference in wages, the manufacturer has the balance of profit from protection. That cannot be true if prices are cheapened."

WILLIAM STEVENSON, a Denver gentleman, has said concerning Colorado politics: "There has been considerable talk about Colorado going for Weaver, not so much because the people of the state take any stock in Weaver or his political heresies, but simply to show the country that Colorado voters are not tied to any party as against the interest of their state. But while Colorado is for silver, it is a mistake to suppose that all Coloradoans favor free coinage of silver, and I think that when the votes are counted after election Colorado will show her usual majority for Harrison. The reason is this: Thinking men are coming to the conclusion that Harrison is the best friend of silver after all, and that the only practical way to remonetize it is by means of an international agreement."

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