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OUR PHILIPPINE TRADE.

PHILIPPINE TRADE under the first month of a more favorable tariff, has shown an increase of more than 100 per cent over the corresponding month of last year. This is according to the report of the department of commerce and labor, and it may, therefore, be accepted as authoritative.

It appears singularly enough that in trade items on which the duty is removed, importations have not shown a marked increase; while there has been considerable increase in items which hitherto have been free. This upsets the consideration of the increase as a criterion by which the exact advantage of a more equitable tariff may be measured.

But, as to the general result after a year's trial, or longer, there can be no doubt. The increase already obtaining foretells a greater profit to the Filipinos and to the American people. It was urged as the logical outcome of reasonable tariff adjustment, and events will prove that the logic was sound.

The principle that receives demonstration in this instance will hold as to the entire application of the tariff doctrine. The removal of artificial barriers to the commercial intercourse of nations and peoples will mean an increase in the volume of trade every time, and that with benefit, and not with injury to the great majority of those concerned.

The mass of American citizens has not been injured in business or opportunity to labor by reason of greater freedom of trade with the Philippines; nor would they sustain injury if the policy adopted toward this dependency were to be extended. The standpatter appreciated the lesson that would be taught when we finally made up our minds to treat the Filipino justly in this tariff matter; hence the standpatter resisted justice along that line to the last ditch.

OUR EXPENSIVE HIGHWAYS.

THE invention of the steam locomotive came at a time when there were very few roads in this country which could be called good. Americans immediately set to work developing the new means of transportation, and at the beginning of this year there were in North America 250,900 miles of railroad, or nearly half the total railway mileage of the world, and this without counting the Drain line.

While this wonderful development was taking place not much attention was given to the building of public highways. Older nations already had extensive systems of roads, including the enduring highways that the Romans built. In Europe the improvement of the existing roads and the construction of railways went on together, but until recently America has specialized on railways and has grudgingly invested money in roads.

Samuel Hill, writing in Collier's Weekly on the good roads movement in general and the advanced attitude of the state of Washington to-

With the Toast and Tea

GOOD EVENING.

Read what is written of thy past,
Then turn down the page.
All the future now thou hast,
Let not thy zeal assuage.
Much in wisdom not forgetting.
For a future need,
Spend no time in vain regretting.
Resolve—push on—succeed!
—Selected.

In the Glory of the Year.

I have been upon the hill-tops in the glory of the year,
When the summer was departing and the autumn drawing near:
Heard a myriad voices crying—"Behold the king is here."
Heard a wondrous voice replying—"I am with you—be of cheer."

Stand with me upon the hill-tops while the sunshine filters through
The leaves of gold and crimson, from the autumn's deepest blue:
See the miracle an marvel, in the passing of the year;
See and know the joy of living and of dying without fear.

Behold the king of beauty, dwelling in the land of May,
Passing earthward in the autumn, going forth along the way,
Making all the highways holy with his presence and his peace,
With the bounty of his blessing, in the harvest's ripe increase.
Lift your eyes and look upon him, as his glory passes by,
In the lifting of the landscape 'neath the halo of the sky:
In the mirror of the morning, in the splendor of the noon,
In the tender of the twilight, with its full-orbed harvest moon.

CHARLES BLANCHARD.

The reasons women give for seeking divorce are much more numerous than those they give for marrying.

When a man sees a woman driving a nail, he generally stops to see whether anything will happen to her fingers.

A number of Milwaukee girls recently gave a north pole dance which broke up in a row. Perhaps somebody tried to hog the gumdrops.

A pedestrian always gets considerable pleasure out of seeing an old plug of a horse pulling an automobile back to town.

An exchange declares that the fortunes of great singers are soon lost. Particularly after they can no longer reach the high notes, we suppose.

ward it, shows some of the absurdities of the present situation, by which the farmer is chiefly affected, though every one who depends upon him for food must ultimately share his loss.

Great sums have been spent to give the country the most economical system of steam transportation in the world, and the cost has been brought down to less than three-fourths of a cent for moving a ton a mile. Mr. Hill makes the point that this achievement contrasts strangely with the fact that the cost of highway movement for the same ton is about 30 cents in America and only 8 cents in many sections of Europe.

The good roads cause is rapidly gaining in all parts of the country, and farmers are well represented among its adherents. In some agricultural states they are doing most of the agitating for road improvement, because they see that they will reap its principal benefits.

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"Won't pa go to heaven then?"
"Well, dear, it will be a very close shave if he does."

You can accomplish more if you would only try it.

We have noticed that persons of bad taste usually lack sense.

Lovely November weather we had yesterday, but just a trifle previous.

One great trouble with this world is the marked lack of agreeable people.

The world got along without E. H. Harriman; and it can get along without you.

Even new things have their faults; we can never keep new shoe strings tied.

Hospitality which drives to gluttony is about as bad as this treating habit you hear condemned so freely.

We greatly admire a certain man, but we are beginning to suspect that he is entertaining because he is a liar.

Tell a woman that she has the best husband in the world, and she gets the funniest expression on her face.

In searching for the old fashioned turn the searchlight around and find the woman who used to put on the patches.

THE "HOORAY" FELLOW.

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He wasn't any singer
As he walked along the way,
But he heard the others singin'.
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II.
He couldn't make the music,
But still, by night or day,
When the glad world moved to meet it,
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