

COST OF BEING AN AMERICAN SHIP OWNER.

It is a favorite argument of the free traders and free ship men that American vessel owners really do not have to pay higher wages to their seamen than foreigners. Perhaps a deliberate judgment upon this subject by a former free ship man, now a subsidist, Cleveland's former consul to Liverpool, Captain Russell by name, will be of interest. He says, in his report in the state department:

"The vessels of the United States pay the highest rate of wages, besides costing more for maintenance of the crews than those of any other nation. British vessels in domestic ports can procure crews from 37 to 32 per cent lower than are paid on American vessels, which is a serious item in the disbursement account. Then, again, the cost of maintenance on American ships is about 40 cents a man per day, against the English 29 cents, or a difference of 27 per cent in favor of the latter. It is an acknowledged fact that the living on board our vessels is superior to that of other nations, and it is generally asserted that large quantities of food are supplied to the crews, the scale of provisions laid down by congress being rarely, if ever, resorted to. The wages paid on vessels belonging to Norway, Sweden, Russia, Germany, Denmark, Austria, Spain, and Italy average from 47 to 50 per cent lower than those of the United States vessels, and the cost of maintenance about 32 per cent less."

A few facts and figures often enable us to form a correct conclusion, where a thousand theories, or a thousand wishes that things might be thus and so, only confuse and lead astray.

WHO THE OPPONENTS OF SUBSIDIES ARE.

It is quite evident that Mr. Frye, who is in charge of the ship subsidy bill for a unanimous republican majority of the senate, knows whence the opposition arises. He is officially quoted as saying:

"There never was any other bill before congress which received such close and critical consideration, on which was expended such careful, conscientious, and intelligent work. Nor was there ever one with this purpose in view which so generally commended itself to the friends of the American ship. Its critics and opponents are those who honestly believe in, and have always advocated, free ships, and the foreign lines which will not tamely submit to surrender the profits of their carrying trade. The former contest it from principle, but are not dangerous, for the country rejects their theory; the latter are inspired only by self-interest, one of the most powerful of all motives, and they will make a most determined, vigorous, and never-ending fight."

The free traders and the free ship men have not the members with which to defeat the bill and the foreigners have not money enough, in a thousand years.

The price of silver is steadily advancing. Great demands on the silver supply are made by China and India. From London, in the past nine months, has been shipped \$11,000,000 to China, and from San Francisco nearly \$13,000,000. Japan has taken half a million this year as against nothing last year.

If British reverses in the Transvaal continue much longer it will be in order for somebody to move resolutions of sympathy for them rather than for the Boers.

The report of the director of the mint on the production of gold and silver in the United States during the calendar year 1899 credits Ore-

gon with \$1,429,500 gold, and \$80,550 silver. Colorado leads of all the states, with \$25,852,600 gold and \$13,197,540 silver.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between A. M. Stringer and T. S. Kennerly, under the style of The Dalles Distillery Company, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, A. M. Stringer retiring and T. S. Kennerly continuing the business and paying all debts and collecting all bills.

The Dalles, Dec. 10, 1900.

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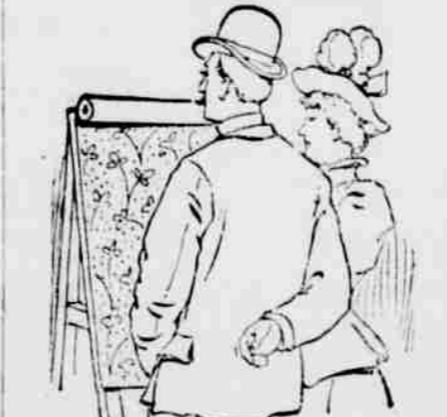
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