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THE DEMOCRATIC DANCE TO BRITISH MUSIC
There is considerable agitation in Great Britain for a
turn to something like the British Navigation Laws whi were repealed January 1,1850 . Many of the British are con-
vinced that the best way to insure their supremacy at sea vinced that the best way to insure their supremacy at sea
is to restore. .he protective navigation laws.
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marine. Even an it it is, Brititish of the American merchani
Are carrying more handing.
had been completely demonstrated that iron ships-the ships of the future could be built more cheaply in Eng-the ships than
in any other country. The British free trade three years before,
Manchester textile, manufacturers, captained by Cobden, whe
hid satisfied themselves that they could produce fabrics cheaper than any other country, and since they wanted free foreign markets they saw the consistency of establishing a
free market at home as a condition precedent. But free trade ree market at home as a con ention precedent. But rre tradt ing of industries suct passed last year by the British Parlin. ment, wites a duty or
6,000 separate article of British per eannat ad valorem on soneme 6,000 separate artic
siderably higher the
siderabiy higher than any average ad valorem rate contem-
pated in the tariff bill now pending in the Congress of the
United States
And besides that their tariff law puts in the hands of a commission the lowering or raising of rates; the express an
dieclared purpose being to make the rates high enough to declared purpose being to make the rates high enough tc
protect British produeers and manufacturers competing witt the products of foreign countries.
JAs a writer on the subject recently declared: "When
 Great sritain had aways protected her ships " - that is tc
eny, wherever they needed protection- and that shipping
was the one industry wiich the United States had Was the one industry which the United States had refusec protection, althought hen a free trade nation, and of of Ameri - British propaganda has in the past played inent part in preventing the passage of protecta more prom-
for American shippoing thain peasures for Amerrican shipping than perhaps any one factor, and fi
is heroically at work todey is heroicaily at work today, for the same purpoae. Every
thing posible is bieng done to delay the ship aid bill, and
is atemis usually to be the case, where British interests are concerned, a few of the Democrats are their representativee
In the American Congress. They stand for the free ente of the American Congress. They stand for the free entry But they have no objection to a a 33 per cen
can goods entering the British market.
They oppoee the most practical aid to
But they voice no objection to the aubsidization They would help haul the Union Jack and the Risising Su to the mastheads of foreiten ships, but they would haul down the people nearly $\$ 4,000,000,000$ to construct.

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chant marine, such appreciation of the part which it
tined to play in upbuilding our trade and prosperity And the wide awake and far seeing members of the Dem-
ocratic party as opposed to the few silurians of that party in Congress, are heartily in accord with the vast majority Congress, are heartily in accord with the
the people of this country in this respect

