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## The Other Side.

A CORRESPONDENT who thinks that the remarks in vesterday's issue in favor of free trade were hardly logical enough to suit his protective ideas, favors us with a lengthy communication in reference to the alleged impetus that protection gives home industry. He claims that the theory and argument of American protectionists have always been that a tariff on foreign importations would be somewhat of hindrance, or preventive, of such importations, thereby raising and keeping more steady and uniform the selling price thereof, and thus rendering investments in home manufactures more certain of fair profits, and therefore more likely to be made by capitalists or persons otherwise disposed to enter into manufacturing business. And aithough the immediate effect of a tariff duty on imports would be to raise the price of such imports to the consumer, still, in the long run, on account of the competition between home manufacturers and importers, and the development of home talent, skill, acquired efficiency, and all other items of home resources, the enhanced prices would be more than neutralized, and the same class of goods be produced cheaper at home, than they would have been made abroad and imported.

"The protectionist's theory has proven correct. No one conversant with the history and progress of the United States the past forty or fifty years can show wherein they were at fault. The cry is everywhere, even in the heretofore pent up Southern states, and in Portland, Oregon, where the Oregonian, for the past few years has so persistently advocated free trade (in railroad materials, etc.) by a request for their publication for more manufactures, more manu- as an illustrated army register. It facturers, more manufactories, in is very doubtful if such a picture the city. Well, they are sensible gallery would be interesting Valuable City Property. That process, whatever it is, which enough to the people at large to converts a pound of wool, worth compensate for the expense of an Lots 4. 5, 6, 7, 8. 9, 10, 11 and 12, one-fourth of a cent into watch- not the slightest objection to the These blocks front north on the plantest rings worth 500 cents, or a cord of oak wood worth \$2, into cabi-\$50 or \$500, is a very desirable intelligent artisans, mechanics or manufacturers required to do that converting, and who live in our houses, buy our city lots, and eat ship and attention shown to Villard our produce, are desirable accessions to any country, community to rival the other in his praise and

the production or open our ports to free trade?

The time has been when protec-Clay, a Webster, a Greeley and Itemizer. their co-workers. They did their work well. They won their battles, the American people have reaped too great a reward from their victories, to go back on them in this generation.'

Our correspondent forgets that the present generation.

CALIFORNIA exchanges are still agitating "the old, old story," "How shall we stop the Chinese!" After all that has been said and sung about them, they still abide. The laws of supply and demand are no more liable to violation don't employ him; no one is to blame for his presence here but the state of society that first made his presence a necessity.

don't employ him; no one is to communication and immunity from the wolves. Large districts have the wolves. Large districts have thus been cleared of the dangerous and having us mail it weekly to their friends. We mail it as directed. For 500 in advance, we mail three copies of The Weekly Astorian one year.

Civil Service Reform.

main features of the proposed highway to the sea. innovation consisted of the allotnation, by state boards: the ob. Bay News. ject being to secure in all cases service is necessary has grown to years. be an axiom, but so far all attempts to improve the present system have been, as most of tnem were intended to be, total from the unwillingness of the "Ins" to make any change. There ought to be a fair division of clerkships among the states; there should be no appointments of incompetent persons, and neither appointments nor removals should, in any manner, depend upon the political opinions of the clerks themselves, or the political necessities of the pary which happens to be, for the time being, in power. It is to be regretted that Mr. Windom had no opportunity to proceed in the matter, as the plan; so far as developed, seems practical. His successor, however, can avail kimself of the suggestions of the late Secretary, and can add to them if he should see fit. Judge Folger's views on the subject are awaited with interest.

ADJUTANT-General Drum, in his annual report to the Secretary of REAL ESTATE War, states, among other things, that some five hundred photographs of all the general officers Valuable Building Lots in Shivecommissioned by President Lincoln during the war have been collected, and supplements the same 25 ets., into four dress goods worth illuminated army register in addi-\$3, or a pound of iron ore worth tion to the regular issue. There is Lot 9 in Block 2; survivors of these five hundred gentlemen exchanging albums, in net wares, veneering, etc., worth which their five hundred photographs shall appear, provided they thing to have in any country or assume the responsibility for the city, even; and the two five or ten same, and, what is of practical imnortance, foot the bill.

It is amusing to see the courtby the people of Portland, Astoria and the Sound, each one striving adoration. By each of them he Which is the surer way of get- is lauded to the skies and borne ting such neighbors? to keep up to the ethereal regions in winged chariots. By each of them he is regarded as a god and they smile "if he but carelessly nod" on them. It is just that he be treated with tion and protection tariff laws proper respect, but their zeal needed advocates, when we had a should not betray them beyond reason and discretion. - P. C.

Will the P. C. L. point to one instance of Astoria's showing a "courtship," or "attention" to the person in question. Tell the truth, man, if you can,

Ir the reduction of the public the tune to which the twenty-five debt proceeds at the present rate millions of a generation ago it will be wiped out before the marked time and kept step, is present generation of small chilhardly up to the requirements of dren get old enough to vote, it bethe twice twenty-five nullions of ing estimated that the decrease for the month of October was more than fifteen millions of dollars. The expense during the month, pensions included, were about sixteen million dollars, while the receipts were more than double, beabout thirty-six millions.

In Norway, it is said, the erecthan any other of nature's immu- tion of telegraph poles and wires table edicts. Just as long as scares all wolves away from the the Chinese find employment here, neighborhood, and many miles of just so long we will have them line have been put up for the with us. If you want John to go, double purpose of securing rapid the condition and progress of this state.

IMMEDIATELY after the adjourn-Ex-Secretary Window now ment of the Mississippi River Impublishes for the first time a plan provement convention, which ad- A. V. ALLES. of civil service reform upon which, Journed ten days ago at St. Louis, it is said, the President looked the New Orleans Board of Trade with favor, but which could not passed a series of resolutions en-

be discussed, much less mangu- dorsing all that the St. Louis conrated, owing to the assassination vention had done, and estanding of the latter about the time the in" with their northern brethren matter was first thought of. The in the demand for an anobstructed

ment to each state of its quota of between the United States and appointments and the filling it, foreign countries not one sails Groceries; after a kind of competitive exami- under the American flag .- Coos

That is a mistake. There has competent persons, properly dis- been an American line of steamtributed among the several states, ers plying between the United That some reform in the civil States and Liverpool for right

THE St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that no ambitious Congressman can hope to succeed if he Glass oppose the improvement of the failures. The great trouble arises Mississippi river. For "Mississippi" read "Columbia," and the expression fits the case here.

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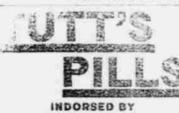
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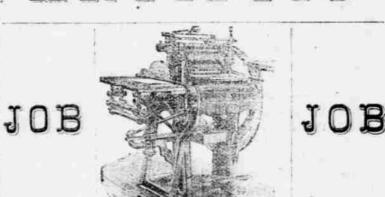
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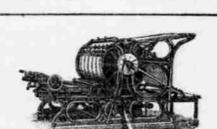
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