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Manufacturers and the Tariff.

Can there be anything more preposterous than the assertion that goods of American manufacture are increased in price to the extent of the tariff charges on similar imported goods, and that in consequence the system of protection is simply a cunningly laid scheme to enable the American manufacturer rapidly to fill his pockets? The full equivalent of the customs duties is assumed to flow from the pockets of the consumers into those of the producers of home-made goods, who grow inordinately rich on their excessive profits. It is declared that our people are doubly taxed, once by the government, and a second time by the manufacturer. The first of these taxes, however, is a necessity. It must be had from some source, either from foreign-made or home-made goods, for the support of the government, and it has been deemed an act of wisdom to lay it on the former. The second tax is a fallacy; it does not exist, and those who declare its existence are either blindly ignorant of the conditions of American manufacturing interests, or are sinning against knowledge.

Where American-made goods are higher in price than those of Europe this extra price does not go into the pockets of the manufacturers, but of the mechanics, and it is due to this that the workingmen of America are able to live in more comfort than those of Europe. Certainly this is no disadvantage to the country. Mechanics and laborers form a very large percentage of our population, and any system that increases their comfort must, so far as they are concerned, be an advantageous one. It is not a question of what they have to pay for the necessaries of life, but of what quantity of these necessaries their wages will purchase; and it matters nothing to them that they may have to pay for an article more than the price paid in Europe, while it matters much that their wages enable them to buy more of this article than their European competitor can command. Nor, this being the case, would it be any disadvantage to the country if employers grew rich faster than their European competitors. A system of finance that would lift both the workmen and the employers of one country to a higher grade of comfort than that enjoyed by their competitors of another country could not but be to the material advantage of the total manufacturing interests of the first named country.

But is it the case? That our workmen are better off than those of Europe is beyond reasonable question. Are our manufacturers better off? Do they really absorb a profit equivalent to the excess of the tariff charge over the amount paid for wages? A comparison of the wealth of European and American manufacturers does not sustain any such theory, for the former seem to make money quite as rapidly as the latter. The real state of the case as concerns the two regions appears to be that while the American workman is much better off, the American employer is about as well off as his European competitor. This being the case, it is not easy to perceive why either the employers or the mechanics of this country should desire a change.

What is the actual state of the case as concerns American manufacturers. If they came into competition solely with European manufacturers they might, indeed, take full advantage of the government tariff charge, and absorb an equal sum in profits and extra wages. But they come into competition also with each other, and that a sharp and incessant competition, which grinds the level of profits down to the lowest workable figure, and causes a continual effort to shave a little extra profit off the wages of workingman. It is this wages-shaving, enforced by severe home competition, that causes the great sum of labor troubles in this country.

The truth of the case is that the majority of American employers are simply making a good living, and sometimes not that, off their profits, while those who grow very rich in manufacturing are those whose large capital enables them to conduct business on an immense scale, or those who by the control of new inventions or special processes escape competition. The very rich men of this country as a rule have made their money by speculation, by the control of rich mines, or the ownership of new and ingenious devices,—and not by ordinary manufacturing. It is the workingmen who are protected from competition not the manufacturers. The number of fortunes made in speculation is hardly taken into account in the popular estimation of rich men. A number of attorneys for instance in Portland have made independent fortunes but not one of them in the strict practice of the profession. These fortunes have been made in real estate investments.

The San Francisco Daily Report says: "The snow blockade has had almost as much to do with the prevailing depression as the rain storm. It could not have occurred at a worse time for commercial interests. But it also will have an excellent ultimate effect. The revelation of the Southern Pacific Company's incompetence, its exhibitions of churlish brutality toward its imprisoned passengers, and the shocking inconvenience of a single direct overland line between the metropolis of the Pacific coast and the East will do more to arouse public opinion and promote action on the subject of a competitive road than anything else that could have occurred."

The following appeared in a leading democratic paper in Baltimore just before the last presidential election and now when the democrats are figuring on the next election it may be interesting reading:

Samuel J. Tilden never made a wiser remark than when he said that the opposition party in this country must be supported by at least two-thirds of the voters to be sure of success. He did not underestimate the value of power and patronage as a political leverage. He knew that the occupancy of the government by the republicans gave them a vast advantage over the democrats, and to dislodge them would require something more than a small majority of the popular vote. For, in the first place, the patronage of the government judiciously distributed planted active, energetic, and influential political missionaries everywhere in the country; these were the organizers of the party legions, so that instead of a rabble the party became an army; these had friends and relatives whose votes they could influence through personal considerations; and this splendid organization furnished money and worked all the year round for its cause. When it had control of the local-election machinery it had a still greater weapon with which to defeat the opposition, while the latter had all these odds to contend against. Patronage, money, power, fraud, and corruption as well as conviction were on the side of the party in power, and the strength of all these Mr. Tilden knew the full value of. Such was the advantage of the the republican party in 1884. Such is the position of the democratic party now. The republicans made full use of all the advantages in their favor then and the democrats will make equally as good use of those same advantages in their own behalf. For in the matter of retaining power both organizations can be equally depended upon to maintain their ascendency even at the risk of a moderate sacrifice of conscience and good name. Under these circumstances the republicans will have to command two-thirds of the popular vote to resore their party to power. They must do this in face of the fact that the democrats had that proportion of the popular vote at the last presidential struggle, or Mr. Cleveland would not now be at the head of the administration today. Then the task of the opposition is obviously a great one. They must convert enough voters to their side to, or at least induce enough voters to favor their ticket to give them a majority next November, and to allow for natural shrinkage they must make their acquisitions equal to two-thirds of the entire popular vote.

A San Francisco paper of the 30th says: "So often have announcements been made that the mails would arrive over the Central Pacific route within a day that the postal authorities now pay little attention to the daily reports of the railroad people on the subject. They have arrived at that stage of incredulity at which they say that they will believe that the mails will get in when they hear that they are actually at the wharf. No information was received to-day indicating that the blockade was about to be raised or that the delayed mails would be received for several days to come.

Even should the company get the road open it will be months before it gets the volume of business again which it had before the blockade. This is the feeling among the traveling public. They are afraid of the snow-slides and the loosened earth along the line will be a menace, according to railroad men long into spring. A road along the side of a canyon or mountain, cut and graded into the side, is always likely to be cut out by slides, the labor of the constructing forces weakening the support of the ground. So railroad men say the people with whom they deal do not care to trust a mountain slide of this character, regarding it as unsafe.

SACRAMENTO, January 29.—During the clear weather several parties have been formed in different portions of the mountains to hunt for the lost.

Some of these were to visit parties in out of the way places, who had not reported since the commencement of the storm.

In two or three cases the parties searched for have been found dead, and several have been found who needed relief.

It is feared that many more old miners who lived alone in the mountains for years and stuck to their claims in the hopes of striking it rich, have fallen victims to the terrible winter, and their bodies will be found later.

Alexander McKenzie, an old miner, was found dead in his cabin near Magalia, in this county, last Monday.

He was mining in a tunnel when it caved and broke his leg. He dragged himself through the snow to his hut to die.

Morphine was found on a table near his bunk, it is not known whether he took the drug to end his sufferings or not. He had been in misery a week.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 30.—Miss Thetta Quay, a niece of Senator Quay, who made a sensation in Washington society last winter when she visited her uncle, because of her beauty and talent, is engaged to be married to Robert Franks, the Treasurer of the Hartman Steel Company, at Pittsburg. The marriage will occur on February 18th. Mr. Franks is an Englishman and a cousin of Henry Phipps Jr., one of Andrew Carnegie's partners. Miss Quay is a daughter of Senator Quay's only brother, Jerome Quay, Superintendent of the Eastern Pennsylvania Reform Schools at Morranza.

I don't like all kinds of medicines, but I like Dr. Murphy's Syrup, because it is pleasant, and helps my cough. *

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 30—11 a. m.—The weather at Truckee is clear and pleasant. At the Summit it is cloudy and mild. The barometer is very favorable for settled weather.

About two hundred feet of snow remains to dig through at Cascade, and there are a few miles of "flanging" to be done, to clear the road to Truckee, which, with the present condition of the weather, will probably be accomplished by this evening.

The railroad officials say the trains will be started at once for Sacramento from Truckee and other points east of there, and ought to reach here by seven a. m. It is more likely, however, that the trains will not be able to leave their sidings until to-morrow morning, in which case they will begin to arrive to-morrow afternoon.

DELTA, Cal., January 30—9 a. m.—Snow was seen by early risers this morning. The river is falling fast.

The rain stopped yesterday. This morning it opened up cloudy and there are strong indications of another storm, as it is snowing north of here.

There is great delay on this section by large slides. It is hard to say when we will have trains through. It is sixteen days since any mail up this way has been received.

REDDING, Cal., January 30.—About 10 o'clock last night the storm broke away. The morning is clear with a slight north wind. The river rose twenty feet in twelve hours last night. This morning it is falling slowly.

ASHLAND, Or., January 30.—Half an inch of snow fell during the night. The river is falling slowly.

Last winter Mr. H. E. Kinkade, collector for the United States Express Company, at Des Moines, Iowa, was severely troubled with chilblains. The swelling and intense itching of his feet was a great annoyance to him. He tried several remedies without benefit, but fortunately bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says he only applied it three times until his feet were entirely well and free from itching and swelling. For sale by H. Sengstacken, Marshfield and Empire City.

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