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We think Geo. Francis Train, who certainly is candid enough, must be here on the subject of tariff and trade. He thinks free trade means enslavement to England, and the wearing and using of English fabrics. He declares that to our present condition. But how does it follow that, with a tariff we are enslaved to England, without a tariff we are not? Does his argument mean slavery without free trade and with it too? If so, what has a tariff or free trade to do with that matter either? If our existing tariff has helped to build up England (as is being proved by our present use of English fabrics according to his statement) why should not increased tariff still more contribute to build up New England, as well as Old England, at our expense? We commend Mr. Train's views. All the hundreds of millions of dollars taxes levied for her benefit have only increased her exceedingly and made her cry for more. It has built up shoddy at the expense of the tolling masses. And the more you give to shoddy, the more you reduce the wages of labor and enslave the people. That is the result in England, and the growing result in New England. With free trade we shall have more manufacturers in the South than we have with the present tariff, or ever shall have with an increased tariff. The reason is that when new industries are furnished to the employment of the accumulated capital of the North in manufacturing, the numbers of factories built and operated there will give the Southern market, and make it impossible for infant establishments to compete, even with all the advantages of manufacturing where the staples are produced, and with the saving of freight to the consumer. The capital furnished to manufacturing, not only by its use on a larger scale, but also by cheapening labor, that England has always had the United States, and New England will beat the Southern States. More tariff or any tariff at all for the whole Union will tend to the benefit of the Northern as against the Southern States in this respect hereafter, as in all time past it has done heretofore. Only a tariff for the Southern States against New England can do anything for manufactures in the South. If free trade for the United States means enslavement to England, it also does a tariff for all the States mean enslavement of the Southern and Western States to the Northern. Mr. Clay did not advocate a tariff which should give free trade with England. If that had been the character of tariff adopted, we should never have had a tariff for the United States. A tariff now which gives free trade with New England for half a century kept manufactures out of the South and West in spite of proximity to the staples, expense of carriage both ways, and superior advantages in water power, fuel, and timber, and the abundance of the means of subsistence. With hundreds of millions of capital, and the power to grind down the wages of labor to the scantiest subsistence, Massachusetts and Rhode Island can buy and transport our staples back and forward, and supply us with manufactured goods from their mills at lower rates than they can be furnished in the fertile Mississippi Valley. There the poor must work for the millionaire manufacturer or starve. Here, our poor can turn to the fertile soil, and remain with a good living independent of the autocrat lords of the loom. Here labor cannot be had here for "a shaver's head and pluck a day," and capital invested here must soon see deprived of the advantage of the low and crushing rates which enable it to subjugate and enslave and hold labor to the verge of woe. A tariff for the whole Union will give to the Southern and Western States the same good that a tariff for the common benefit of England and New England would have done New England forty years ago. The South and West will never be benefited by a tariff that makes the Ohio and the Gulf of Mexico the boundaries within which it is to operate. On the contrary, all its benefits will inure to the benefit of the Northeast until a line is drawn. That is impossible. And hence the issue presented to us is whether we shall buy English and French goods at English and French prices, or pay a hundred per cent. tariff for the privilege of buying New England goods at New England prices. Without free trade we shall never manufacture in the South. With it we shall buy where we can buy cheapest, and sell freely where we can sell dearest. We shall procure better goods at lower rates and realize prosperity for our Southern and Western States. We shall live cheaper and have more means of happiness. The poor will be especially benefited. But whether with free trade, we shall have manufactures, except of the coarsest fabrics, we doubt very much. New England will have no reason to complain. If fifty years' protection on account of their infancy is not sufficient to mature their manufactures, it is not likely to be a hundred more will be; and they are welcome to fall, if to avoid it hundreds of millions must be wrung from the poor to support them. Protection in this country means subjugation to New England. Free trade means lower prices of the necessities of life and higher wages to mechanics and laborers, resulting from increased prosperity of all classes. It will tend to increase the population, stimulate markets, agriculture, business and commerce. The idea that free trade will enslave us to England is an absurdity. It opens to us the trade of all the world, and enslaves us to none. If it kills New England manufactures, it will be because, after fifty years' trade, and the help of a thousand millions of dollars, donated for their benefit, they cannot compete with the rest of the world. Let them die and welcome. They are too costly. We cannot afford to pay any longer two dollars for one for a blousy shirt, or a pair of trousers, or for forty years, was just about to make the country an independent paradise, but which grows further and further off as years roll on. Protection means the enslavement of the people to the manufacturing million-

RAILROADS.

CAHO AND FULTON RAILROAD.—We doubt, says the Little Rock Gazette, if the people of Arkansas are aware of the near approach of railroad connection with Little Rock and Little Rock. The Cairo and Fulton road is progressing rapidly from our city toward the border. The first twenty miles have been completed and in running order for several months. The remainder will be graded and ready for iron. This carries the road from our city toward the border. The iron is now at New Orleans, and will be put on the road to rush it through the hills. A corps of engineers are at once to begin a Jacksonville to survey the line to the Missouri river, where a connection is to be made with the Little Rock and Little Rock road. Work on the latter road is being rapidly pushed, and by fall the cars will be running from Little Rock to the Missouri river. The connection will be made somewhere near Little Rock, in Randolph county. The intention is to push the Cairo and Fulton road forward so as to make the connection with the Little Rock road in one year. This will give us direct communication with St. Louis, Memphis and Arkansas. The survey party will be in the vicinity of the Little Missouri river, and will be in the neighborhood of the inauguration of work on the southern division. The Cairo and Fulton road is now in the hands of the State and Ohio Railroad Company, Chancellor Charles C. Johnson, within five or six miles, and on condition that the people along the line have seven thousand dollars per mile in stock, a condition which Mr. McComb's well known would never be fulfilled. Whether Governor Alcorn will veto this monstrous legislation, is to be determined hereafter. Through Memphis, he has fortified himself against a veto by enabling Alcorn to secure a loan of thirty thousand dollars in New York. Now Mr. McComb threatens, as some of his intimate associates say, to try up Memphis, as he terms it, by getting control of the Mississippi and Tennessee railroads. By fraudulent means and making his tools of influential citizens of Memphis, he succeeded in getting possession of the city stock in that railroad, amounting to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and now he has his agents at work all along the line of the road where the stock is mainly owned, buying up at such prices as they can get fit. If the stockholders in the country sell to him, and they have already sold one hundred thousand dollars to him, he will control this road. What will be the result? It will be by cutting an independent link in the great through line of railroads extending from Norfolk, Va., through Elizabethtown and Paducah, Ky., through Memphis to New Orleans, or, perhaps prevent the building of the Mississippi River railroad, a necessary link in the line of a road which has already set back a year or more in construction. He will turn all the local business on the Mississippi and Tennessee railroads, from Hernando downward, to New Orleans. Memphis then will get no more business from the country below Hernando than she now gets from the country below Holly Springs, on the Mississippi Central road, whose policy Mr. McComb controls. How much more is it to Mr. McComb's interest to send a bale of cotton from Hernando to New Orleans, over four hundred miles of railroad owned by himself, than over twenty-three miles below Hernando and Memphis, owned by himself. He will turn all the business in his hand, and will be discriminating in his tariff charges—and thus he will in some degree carry out his threat of drying up Memphis—and in the mean time he will impoverish the intermediate country by cutting it off from its natural market. He can discriminate as he pleases in his freight tariff, and he can charge as he pleases both on freight and passengers. Is he under control? Does he represent anybody? Is he responsible to public sentiment? What does this millionaire ornament care for these things. In his distant home in Washington, D.C., this ambitious railroad king will laugh at our calamities, and mock when our fear cometh. What can we expect of the conscience of a man who corrupts legislatures and city governments with his money? Now, gentlemen stockholders of the Mississippi and Tennessee railroads, stand up and for the sake of your little money sell your stock to this unscrupulous speculator's agents, strip yourselves of power, and make your country tributary to his power. This is wise and patriotic; and it may be you can get from him a few cents on the dollar more for your stock than you can from the known friends of the road. Our advice is to keep your stock; but if you are determined to sell, let no consideration induce you to sell to an unscrupulous stock-jobber, who has no regard for your country, but only for his own pocket. The Memphis APPEAL, well known for the ability with which it has been conducted for many years, is known to speak of the Boston Courier as an "old-established journal of high reputation and large influence." In reference to an article it quotes from this paper, touching the causes of the New Hampshire revolution, it interchanges of courtesy like this: "It is not only a good feeling might count, if the mischief makers of the country were convicted, as we trust they soon will be, to the ignominy from which they ought never to have been permitted to emerge.—Boston Courier."

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