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COMMERCIAL PROSPECTS. Trade throughout the country is progressing on conservative lines. The tariff continues a disturbing factor and commercial interests everywhere are anxious to have the bill passed, so that they may know what to do.

already they can walk alone. They are likely to be better fair than have been in the same places for many years, in view of the accentuated value which an attempted abolition of them has caused them to assume.

three 8-inch and eight 4-inch Krupp's quick-firing guns, besides machine guns. Premiums for designs of submarine boats have been offered by the French admiralty and twenty firms and individuals have offered to compete.

Fortescue reposes in his cottage on Black Island, near Newport, R. I., and his aid in winter is Los Angeles. Between seasons he journeys in Kansas long enough to pay taxes and maintain a residence.



IT IS SAID That Price Will Sell Anything! But You MUST Make the Price Low Enough to Force the Sale. The cut at the head of this ad. illustrates the taking down of the sign. Why?

THIS WEEK FIFTY CENTS WILL DO DUTY FOR ONE DOLLAR. IN THE DRESS DEPARTMENT WIPED OUT In a FEW WEEKS, if price will do it.

Novelty Plaid in every conceivable shade, worth 20c, will be sold at 10 cents a yard. All-Wool Cheviots, spring styles and colorings, worth 25c, cut to 15 cents a yard.

LACE CURTAIN DEPARTMENT. NOTTINGHAM CURTAINS. \$2 Quality, reduced to \$1.25 a pair. \$3 Quality, reduced to \$1.50 a pair.

C. CURTIN, 911 and 913 Market Street.

of this character must belong to the royal family, and as a royal of the realm is now mourning for the Empress Dowager it is possible Japan may not be re-negotiated.

Little Man (golf enthusiast)—Why don't you play golf? Big Man (blase)—Why, because I object to chasing a quinine pill around a cow pasture.

Our Stronghold Is PURE FOOD. Teas, Coffees, Spices, Extracts, Baking Powder, PURE FOOD STORES.

AN EXCELLENT MEAL. THE GRILL ROOM OF THE PALACE. Dr. Doherty's Medical.

It seems to you that that tickling, hacking cough is all in the throat. But your doctor will tell you that this sensation is often deceiving. The cough is often the signal of deeper trouble in the bronchial tubes or in the lung tissue itself.

OUR MERCHANT MARINE.

It is not easy today just what should be done for the rest of the world, which is steadily increasing in the amount of shipping, as there are grave impediments in the way of the one-time simple remedy of discriminating duties; but the urgent necessity that something should be attempted is made manifest by the history of the remarkable decline of our merchant marine.

COAST EXCHANGES.

The Los Angeles Herald's special fiesta edition consisted of twenty pages, and was metropolitan throughout. According to the Delta, Visalia is preparing for a Fourth of July celebration that is destined to make the very stars in the heavens turn pale.

PERSONAL.

Louis David of Paris is in the City. Reginald White of London is in San Francisco. C. M. Cogan of Sacramento is at the Lick House.

ON THE ROAD.

It's bonny to see my gal to-night— Oh, she's de way, my dearie! De moon's de way, my dearie! Oh, she's de way, my dearie!

WITH YOUR COFFEE.

Watts—I saw you down town this morning with your better half. N. Peck—if you please, she is not my better half. She is the whole thing.—Indianapolis Journal.

MEN AND WOMEN.

Consul-General Patrick Collins will return to Boston from London in June, and will resume the practice of his profession. The Duchess of York was married July 6, 1892, June 23, 1894, December 14, 1895, and April 25, 1897, are the dates of the birth of her three children.

Professor Douglas Archibald, who is considered one of the most eminent meteorologists, forecasts another hot summer for the North Hemisphere, great masses of ice in the Atlantic indicating an early polar spring.

Miss Jennie A. Estes had the honor of being the only woman who took an active part in the Fourth Annual Convention of the New York Academy of Sciences, which was held recently.

Japanese Railway Men. Vice-President J. Y. Mori of the Nippon Company at the Palace. A Journey of Rest and Observation Will be Extended to New York and London.

A party of distinguished railway men of Japan registered at the Palace Hotel yesterday. They arrived at Vancouver on the steamship Empress of China some time ago, but were detained several days in quarantine.

TRAFFIC FACILITIES.

The dependence of the trade of the world on facilities of transportation makes the calculations of experts in such matters as to what may be accomplished in the near future in the reduction of cost of long-distance carrying a very encouraging study.

COUNTY FAIRS.

Since Governor Budd went to the pains of denying the proposed appropriation for county fairs in 1897, which was to be paid out of the State treasury according to a long established annual custom, there has arisen in certain counties a conviction deep and abiding that an omission of the district fairs this particular year would be in the nature of the national calamity.

NEWS OF FOREIGN NAVIES.

A cruiser for the German navy named the Victoria Louise has just been launched at Bremen. She is of 5650 tons displacement and is fitted with triple screws calculated to give a speed of 22 knots.

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At the Woolwich arsenal the force consists of nearly 17,000 men during the day, relieved at 6:30 o'clock in the afternoon by large night shifts. All the large and small ordnance for the army and navy is manufactured at Woolwich.

THE CALL SPEAKS FOR ALL.

Are you going to the country on a vacation? If so, it is no trouble for us to forward the CALL to your address. Do not let us know for you will miss it. Orders given to the carrier or left at the Business Office will receive prompt attention. NO EXTRA CHARGE.

THE SUMMER MONTHS.

The Greeks and the Turks deserve credit for one thing. They got into the ring and fought it out in short order instead of jawing about it forever. Since Bryan has determined to go stargazing round the country, it would have paid him better to have taken to the stage. The lecture platform is getting stale.

THE GREEKS AND THE TURKS.

A Michigan artist has had a picture accepted by the Paris Salon, and we may now expect Detroit to become indifferent to her potato-patch fame and set up as an art center. The sodawater men of the East are said to have introduced a new drink called "airship," but it is not stated whether it is a good substantial schooner or mainly a matter of gas.

THE CHIEF CHARACTERISTIC OF DEBOE.

The chief characteristic of Deboe, the newly elected Senator from Kentucky, is said to be reticence, and we can now understand how complete has been the revolution that turned down Blackburn.

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When we first became a Nation the tonnage carried by American ships was 123,833, and under the stimulus of discriminating duties in the first quarter of a century it had increased to \$54,235. Then began a steady decline, and in 1896 it was only 49,737,000 pounds, against 23,327,000 pounds in 1892, when all mills were running.

THE CHIEF CHARACTERISTIC OF DEBOE.

The outlook for a good fruit year continues brilliant. Except possibly peaches, no deciduous fruit will be abundant, and the outlook for the Eastern crop means better than average returns to the fruit-grower this year. With a fine outlook for wheat, wool and fruit, with mining active and prosperous, it will be strange if California does not do well during 1897.

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