

We favor a tariff for revenue limited to the necessities of the Government economically administered, and so adjusted as to apply as a general protective tariff to all articles of foreign growth, and to such articles of domestic growth as are not produced in this country.

THE TOBACCO TAX.

Our sapient contemporary, the Clarksville Democrat, informs its readers that the internal revenue tax "does not effect the raisers" of the tobacco grown in the Clarksville district.

The CHRONICLE would not do itself the injustice to attempt to create a wrong impression concerning a matter of such common knowledge, and in our frequent assertions that the tobacco grower of this section is wronged and oppressed by the internal revenue laws, we have had no such intention.

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The Bowling Green Times recently published a sensational article stating that Marshal T. Polk was not dead as reported, but had been seen in San Antonio, Texas, making his way to Mexico.

The feature of the Morrison tariff bill which provides for placing lumber on the free list may possibly be attributed to the fact that the Southern lumber interests are just now coming prominently forward, while the lumber resources of the North are in a measure exhausted.

It is true that the stamp tax of eight cents is placed only on manufactured tobacco, and it is also true that a large portion of the tobacco grown in this country is exported to the foreign market.

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Two failures have occurred among the tobacco warehouses of Louisville this week, which have caused considerable excitement in tobacco circles in this city. The first was that of D. K. Mason of the Peoples warehouse. His liabilities are over one hundred thousand dollars, and investigations have shown that he was guilty of gross frauds. He has been sent to jail, charged with larceny. He raised money on tobacco in his hands from several different banks by duplicating receipts for the same, and depositing them with the banks as collateral.

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THE MORRISON BILL.

The Morrison tariff bill was shown of the features most objectionable to us in its passage through the committee room. The clause which provided for placing iron ore on the free list was stricken out and does not appear in the bill as presented to the House.

The able Tennessee editors who indulge in so much abuse and criticism of the Federal judges for their recent decision in the railroad commission case, would oblige the public by stating what they expect to gain by such kicking. Do they wish to terrify the Supreme Court into reversing the decision?

MRS. AGNES R. MILLS, a widow of Kansas, lays claim to \$300,000 worth of land in Cleburne and Van Buren counties, Ark., under title of a Spanish grant dated June 11, 1793.

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The Ohio Democratic platform said in so many plain English words that it favored a tariff to "encourage productive industries at home" and "afford a just compensation for labor."

The Springfield Record says the canard concerning the murder of a family in Robertson county published in the Courier-Journal, was not a special from Springfield as it purported to be.

It would be an interesting piece of information to the public to know how many members of the New York Free Trade Club are also members of the English Cobden Club and the paid agents of that enterprising body.

The people of Todd county, Kentucky, weary of being out from communication with the outside world, have determined to build a railroad from Elkton to Guthrie. Active measures have been taken in behalf of the enterprise and considerable sums of money subscribed toward its advancement.

At the railroad meeting at Guthrie Saturday \$4,000 were subscribed, and it is believed that the road will be completed in a few months. The road will be about 20 miles long, and will connect the two roads counter balance that of the North would prefer getting its lumber from Canada to sending "down South" for it, and Southern Congressmen say, "That is all right. It will help us to elect a Democratic President."

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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

On two days this week the Senate put aside its regular order of business, and devoted the time to that perennial theme, the relief of Fitz John Porter. So far as Congress is concerned he has been the most relieved. The bill as passed by the Senate has yet to go back to the House for concurrence in an amendment, for which no doubt, President Arthur is thankful.

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TENNESSEE TALK.

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