THAT "FREE BREAKFAST TABLE."

A SAMPLE TRADE.

Republicans Swapping Free Hides for Dutiable Sugar.

"The senate tariff bill as a whole," says ex-Congressman John De Witt Warner, "is a notice to eastern manufacturers of what they may hereafter expect. Hitherto they have considered protection as a sort of providential arrangement by which they were enabled to feed on the rest of the country. Now, like Polonius in 'Hamlet,' they are invited by 'a certain convocation of politic worms' to a supper 'not where they eat, but where they are eaten.' The manufacturers of New England, New York and Pennsylvania are to take their turn at being mulcted for the benefit of others, who now control legislation. This applies especially to the hide schedule."

"Cannot the New England senators secure favorable changes in that schedule?"

"I think not. The bill as it stands is satisfactory to the sugar trust, and probably cannot be kept so except by the votes controlled by the cattle trust of the west. Were the New England senators willing to risk offending the sugar trust, they could doubtless defeat the duty on hides, but the fact is that Boston and Providence, in proportion to their size, are far more thoroughly saturated with sugar trust influence than is any other part of the country, and, however much Senators Aldrich, Wetmore, Hoar and Lodge may bewail the fate of their boot and shoe manufacturers, there is no prospect whatever that they will sacrifice the sugar trust interests to help them."

Senator Hoar—That (free) hide has been in the family 25 years, and it almost breaks my heart to part with it.

Senator Allison—You needn't snivel. Keep your old hide if you want to, but you don't get any sugar (profits). See?

Elkins on Wages.

"Wages must go down," said Senator Elkins in a recent interview published in the Cincinnati Enquirer. "Wage-earners," continued the senator, "do not wish to see it or believe it, but it is so." And again he said: "Wages in America stand against any revival of business."

He was discussing the coal trade. He said: "We do not export coal to Europe because we have wages against us, and that is the whole kernel of the coal trade."

Being asked whether black labor was settled in the mines of West Virginia, he said:

"Firmly. It is as effective as white labor and does not combine and conspire, and the negro spends all he makes, while the Italians and Poles send every cent out of the country."

The senator has just as decided ideas on the tariff question. He is firmly convinced that protective duties, especially those on coal, should go up. Tariff up, wages down. That is what happened under the McKinley bill and is what will happen and in fact is happening under the Dingley bill. It is all done in the interest of labor.

Why Dingley Rates Are So High.

Afraid to open your chops about the McKinley bill before the election, having won, you are out-Heroding Herod, out-McKinleying McKinley, because the men who furnished the money to carry the election are relentless taskmasters, clamorous for their remuneration. They have such ravenous appetites that you have been compelled to make the rates higher than in the McKinley bill. Let this not be forgotten, inscribe it on the tablets of your memory. Be it known that the average tariff tax under the McKinley bill was 49.58 per cent. ad valorem; under the Wilson-Gorman bill, 39.94 per cent., and under the Dingley bill, 57.03 per cent. Hence the average rate of taxation on something like 4,000 articles of everyday consumption is 8 per cent. higher under the Dingley bill than under McKinley's law, and 17 per cent. higher than under the Wilson-Gorman bill.—Hon. Champ Clark, in Congress.

Sugar Trust Exists No Longer.

We are assured by the Sugar Trade Journal of May 13—organ of the sugar trust—that "if ever a monopoly existed in the sugar refining business it exists no longer, and it is not likely that it will ever be renewed." This is delightful news. The journal was discussing an amendment to the senate bill to have refined sugars pay the same duties as raw sugars in cases where the manufacture is controlled by a monopoly. If this "visionary proposal" should pass the senate, it will jeopardize the tariff bill and the sugar trust's tens of millions of surplus profits, which are so near at hand that the mouths of Havemeyer and Searles are watering for them. The sugar trust trembles at the prospect, and tries to keep up its courage by having its organ inform the world that "a lot of such visionary proposals will, no doubt, be introduced while the bill is under discussion, but in the end the sound judgment men will control and a tariff bill be passed without very much change from the senate schedule."

The trust may be right. It usually is, for it can predict what will happen to the sugar schedule of the senate bill. It knows what demands will be made by its agents and tools in the senate, and it also knows the power of those who make demands to enforce them. It puts $70,000,000 against the interests of 70,000,000 people, and it knows from experience which has most weight in the senate, where two or three hold the balance of power.

No, there is no sugar trust, and never was one, and in the end the sound judgment will prevail. "When the devil was sick the devil a saint would be."

Perpetual Motion by Protection.

The California argument for higher fruit duties is a sort of perpetual motion. The only disadvantage the California fruit raiser is at is to be found in the cost of his land, but the only thing that makes his land expensive is the profitableness of fruit culture.

So the matter works out in this way: The great profits of fruit raising sent the value of land up to hundreds of dollars an acre. The interest on the value of the land makes a large item in a fruit raiser's balance sheet, and he feels the need of a high price for his fruit. This Senator Jones procures for him by letting it be known that he will not vote for the tariff bill unless it contains duties on hides and increased duties on fruits and the cheapest sorts of wool.

The increased duties adds to the profits of fruit culture, and the price of land takes another rise, whereupon the fruit grower complains that the interest on his land investment is so great or the rental he has to pay for his land is so high that there is an insufficient profit in the business for him, and the only thing that will save him from disaster is more duty.

Logically this process can be carried on indefinitely. Practically it cannot, because with the increase in the price of fruit the consumption of fruit will decline. The consumer will be worse off for the change. The grower, so far as he is not to be considered as a land owner will be no better off, but the value of the land will be as high as the profits of fruit culture will permit.—Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin.

Protection and the Farmer.

Lawrence and His Rams.

"Lawrence is not interested in wool, but in sheep," the Chicago Tribune (rep.) explains. "He and a score more of Ohioans raise blooded rams, which they sell to the ranchmen to improve the breed of their sheep and better the quality of their wool. This is a prosaic, useful business, but the country would not be ruined if it were stopped. It is in order to be able to sell more rams that Judge Lawrence poses as the disinterested champion of the sheep raisers."

Trust "Cuts More Ice."

"Forty-one leather firms in Chicago protest against the duty on hides. But the beet sugar trust cuts more ice," says the Boston Transcript (Ind. Rep.).

PHYSICIANS BAFFLED.

Prof. R. S. Bowman, Instructor of Natural Science in Hartsville College, Cured of a Severe Illness by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People After Physicians Failed.

From the Republican, Columbus, Ind.

Prof. R. S. Bowman, the able instructor of natural science in the famous Hartsville (Ind.) College, is well and favorably known, not only as an educator, but also as a minister of the gospel, as for a number of years he was pastor of the United Brethren church

PROF. R. S. BOWMAN.

at Charlotte, Mich., before coming to Hartsville.

Some time ago he had a severe illness which was cured almost miraculously. A reporter, hearing of this, interviewed him regarding his experience. Prof. Bowman was in the midst of his work when the reporter called, but he cheerfully gave him a hearing.

"A year ago last fall," said the professor, "I broke down with nervous exhaustion, and was unable to properly attend to my duties. I tried different physicians but with no relief, and also used many different proprietary medicines, spending almost fifty dollars for these medicines alone. I then succumbed to a siege of the grip in the middle of winter, and was left in a much worse condition. My kidneys were fearfully disordered, and my digestion became very poor. I was indeed in a bad condition.

"A minister in conference learning of my condition advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I had heard much about the wonderful curative powers of this medicine, but it was with reluctance that I was finally persuaded to try it, as it seemed that nothing could do me any good. However, I procured three boxes of pills and took them strictly according to directions. By the time the last dose was taken I was almost cured, and in better health than I had been for years. I continued using the pills awhile longer and was entirely cured. I can cheerfully recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People."

Such was Professor Bowman's wonderful story, which was further endorsed by the following affidavit:

HARTSVILLE, Ind., March 16, 1897.

I affirm that the above accords with the facts in my case.

R. S. BOWMAN.

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THIS AND THAT.

The Deutsche Zeitung, Mexico, publishes some statistics showing that, taken altogether, it is rather unhealthy business to be president of Mexico. Mexico has had 55 rulers since 1821. Four of these were executed, one poisoned, four murdered, and seven killed in battle.

The best briar root from which pipes are made comes from the borders of France and Italy. In the mountainous districts of those countries roots are dug out which have grown for ages, and are sometimes larger than a man's body, weighing hundreds of pounds. The wood thus obtained is remarkably beautiful.

A chalk is composed of fossils. If you take the tiniest bit and place it under a powerful microscope you will see an infinite number of extremely diminutive shells, and no spectacle on a large scale is more beautiful than the varied forms of these tiny homes of animal life which are disclosed by powerful glasses.

The most remarkable gold beetles in the world are found in Central America. The head and wing cases are brilliantly polished with a luster as of gold itself. To sight and touch they have all the seeming of that metal. Oddly enough, another species from the same region has the appearance of being wrought in solid silver, freshly burnished. These gold and silver beetles have a market value. They are worth from $25 to $50 each.

FOREIGN NOTES.

The town of Windischmatrei, in the Tyrol, a well-known tourist resort, has been burned.

According to the London Times' correspondent at Bombay "the area of which the plague has taken hold forms less than a tenth part of India."

The anonymous subscription of nearly 1,000,000 francs to the fund of the burned charity bazaar in Paris is now announced to be the collective donation of members of the Rothschild family.

Among 121,574 emigrants who left Europe by German harbors last year, only 25,771 were Germans. Of the total number, 105,339 went to the United States, 7,553 to Brazil, 2,280 to Canada, 3,024 to Africa, etc.

The late Sir Henry Halford bequeathed to the Royal College of Physicians in London a very fine portrait, by Sir Thomas Lawrence, of his grandfather, Sir Henry, who was physician to three sovereigns in succession, and who was president of the college for nearly a quarter of a century.

HOUSEWIFERY AND INDUSTRY.

The expenses of your house will be large or small, as you are a bad or a good housekeeper.

Among the most homely, but most essential accomplishments of a young woman is that of housewifery.

Laziness is very apt to come with wealth, and there are undoubtedly a great many more lazy girls now than 50 years ago, but there are no more naturally lazy girls in the world than usual.

PLAN FOR A BARN.

Cheap and Convenient Structure for a Small Farmer.

In the building of a barn, as in the building of a dwelling, the farmer should seek to secure the greatest amount of comfort, convenience and durability for the money invested.

In the plan herewith presented we have a cheap but convenient barn for a small farmer. The barn proper is 32x42 feet and should be 20 feet to the eaves. There is a good grain bay 14x32 for the grain in the sheaf. A threshing floor 14x32 with two decks overhead each 10x14. On one of these decks, out of the way of the other things, should be the oat and bran bins, with spouts leading down to the small feeding boxes just in front of the mangers. Thus the feed is always convenient to get at, yet

PLAN OF A SMALL BARN.

the bulk of it is not in the way. It is an easy matter to fill these bins by means of a rope and pulleys. There is room for three horses and five cows.

At the end of the barn may be built a wagon shed, with hog pens, sheep stables, or calf stables, with storage room above for corn, hay, etc. This barn ought to be built complete for $300 to $500 with a plank frame, the cost depending upon wages and price of materials, as well as upon the style of finish.—John L. Shawver, in National Stockman.

RINGING THE BULL.

Talk in a Natural Voice and Avoid All Excitement.

As with other work, there is a right way and a wrong way to do this job. Avoid all bluster and excitement. Keep your voice down and talk naturally. Plan so as to work quietly. Loud talk and big jumps excite the animal, and excitement is what should be avoided. Impress him with the idea that you are able to handle him with ease, and to so impress him you must be prepared to handle him with ease. The bull is a brute and a cunning one. He delights in "bullying;" in frightening dogs, women, children, nervous men—anything and everything he can—but he is cunning enough to look as meek and harmless as a kitten when it suits his whim to don his garb of meekness. But don't let him fool you, and whenever you touch him have things arranged so you can master him. Before trying to ring him have him fast. A dehorning chute is a good thing for holding him, but a post or manger, with a chance to tie to a timber well in front, will answer. Tie high and short. Have ready a three-cornered file with the point and edges ground sharp. Thrust it through the partition of the nose with a firm hand. It is easily done and causes little pain. As the file is withdrawn, follow it with the open end of the ring, close the ring and put in the screw and the job is done.—Western Plowman.

To Keep Horses Healthy.

Broadly speaking, digestive disorders in the horse invariably arise either from defective food, over or irregular feeding, or a defective or irregular supply of water. The average groom is no great advocate for water, either for himself or his charges, and a free supply of anything like it is clean against stable traditions; yet the water question as regards a sufficiency or regular supply has considerable bearing on the prevalence or otherwise of cases of colic in a stable. A first essential is that both grain and hay should be old and of good quality. New oats and new hay are less digestible than that matured by keeping in bulk, and inferior food is never cheap food.—Rural World.

Bamboos in the South.

Experiments in Florida and Louisiana have shown that bamboo will grow in those states almost as well as in the hottest countries. Around Fort Myers there are bamboos that have attained to a height of 50 or 60 feet. They are of a variety which usually grows to about 70 feet in India. In Orange county there is one clump of bamboos, said to be only ten years old, in which the stalks have attained to the height of 65 feet, the stalks averaging 13 inches in circumference. There are eighty stalks in the clump. This particular clump is of a variety from Bengal, where the wood is used for building purposes and for light spars for vessels.

Administering Iron to Hens.

It is claimed that a French physician has discovered a method by which iron can be given in large doses. Hens, he noticed, have powerful internal organs. They can digest considerable quantities of iron and then render it back through the albumen of their eggs in a form which is easily digested by the weaker stomachs of mankind. So he feeds his hens with what he calls "a very absorbent salt of iron," mingled with grains of wheat, and they lay eggs extremely rich in iron already digested.

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The telephone will not work between people who are not on speaking terms.—Golden Days.

Motherhood.

A mother who is in good physical condition transmits to her children the blessings of a good constitution.

The child fairly drinks in health from its mother's robust constitution before birth, and from a healthy mother's milk after.

Is not that an incentive to prepare for a healthy maternity?

Do you know the meaning of what is popularly called those "longings," or cravings, which beset so many women during pregnancy?

There is something lacking in the mother's blood. Nature cries out and will be satisfied at all hazards.

One woman wants sour things, another wants sweets, another wants salt things, and so on.

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