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PROTECTIVE DUTIES HAVE A VICELIKE HOLD.

The New York Chamber of Commerce wants "an extended period of rest and cessation from continued tariff agitation and changes." It is of course understood by all classes of business men that the uncertainties of tariff taxation are very injurious to commerce and general trade. But the never-ending tinkering goes on without any rest. It must be that the people like it after all, notwithstanding the objections of that big Chamber of Commerce. This institution wants further, a "mean" tariff, that is, neither high nor low, but one "betwixt and between" and "just right," as being more likely to stand than a McKinley or a "reformed" tariff. That is very well put by a lot of men who are mostly traders and few manufacturers. But it won't stop the tinkering of the tariff—lopping of here and the adding to there, as the interests of republican protectionists are uppermost. For be it understood that this is the only practical difference between the two parties as far as the tariff is concerned. It is a square stand up fight which can do the most robbery and "put a good face" on the matter.

Until the people see the business in its right light, and proceed in their might to abolish this ever-grinding and unconscionable robber tariff, there will be no end to its snake-like contortions—now here and now there, and the ravages of its capacious maw!

While we hear much denouncing of a protective tariff in con-

gress, there is actually no effort to dislodge it. During the recent hasty pushing through of the new measure in the house, what members of the deliberative minority has moved an amendment to abolish protective duties? Not one! To save his life not one of them durst do it! It would be an unheard of cruelty to bring the members to book on this question! They are all honorable, able and courageous gentlemen—but, martyrdom is not now in fashion, and besides—it hurts!

The Sioux City Journal says that the tariff is merely a method of paying the expenses of government. The people generally have the idea that McKinley says it is a method to protect (or defend) American manufacturers and others against the competition of foreigners—in fact, a huge trust, in which the partners are the government and those same manufacturers.

President Grant's son refused to be assistant secretary of war and also regrets that he is not to serve the administration for which he worked earnestly. Grant is a selfish churl, and would have no more prominence in public than a city scavenger were it not for his name.

It was an associate of General Moore that "detected" the fraud in the recount on the amendment. Hedlund no doubt got his training in the auditor's office.

The Omaha Bee is press agent for the Transmississippi Exposition and a few of the country weeklies are doing the advertising for which the Bee charges one hundred per cent. commission.

The Chicago Chronicle, commenting on the times says: "Business on the various exchanges of this country is certainly at a standstill. Out of an active membership of 1,000 or more it is doubtful if 10 per cent made any money the last week on the Board of Trade. Several whose expenses are comparatively large quit the week losers. It is a condition of affairs no one appears to understand, and therefore can advance no tangible explanation for it. Commission merchants and brokers are offering to do business for next to nothing and still cannot get any. For this reason all the markets are narrow, uninteresting, and almost void. In the history of the trade so apathetic a condition as now exists is not remembered. Eighty, if not 90, per cent of the business done on 'change is on account of local traders. They are simply endeavoring to live off one another. The shipping demands are daily unimportant, and but little of the various commodities is coming in. Under these conditions there is nothing interesting to write about.

Is it not possible the country is undergoing a great economic evolution we do not realize or comprehend? With nearly all commodities selling at lower prices than almost ever before known, and which should induce a materially enlarged consumption, it appears impossible to sell freely or to invest trade with any interest. Being a general rather than a specific condition, it appears worthy of very serious and candid consideration. One can hardly help being pessimistic with such surroundings.

There is room for very much speculation and conjecture as to why the times are as they are. Undoubtedly there is a certain if not general evolution going on, whether for the better or worse remains to be seen. The expense of conducting almost every business appears to be increasing while profits of business are decreasing. Trade is so circumscribed that competition is enhanced. This has developed into prices and bargain counters. Minimized profits of necessity begot minimized expenditures. In flush times people are usually unduly extravagant in their expenditure. It is come easy, go easy. In tight and dull times the boot is shifted—the world becomes economical, because it cannot help itself. The latter condition is now the prevalent one, and in a measure aggravates the unfavorable aspect.

Dun's Review states that for the first quarter of the year there were 3,992 failures against 4,031 for the same months last year. When it is taken into consideration that some twenty thousand firms have failed in the year, the failures of the first three months of the Advance Agent's administration is largely in excess of any previous year. Yes, these are good times. When every business house in the country has gone to the wall the republicans will be howling with delight because McKinley has stopped the failures. The above quotations are taken from one of the rankest goldbug sheets in the United States. Will the Fremont Tribune and State Journal please take notice that it is not the silver people nor the pops who are giving the calamity yell?

FAIRVIEW.
"Mud! mud! mud!"
Mr. Peterson has been very sick with the measles, but is getting well now. School opened again on Monday.
The corn in the cribs is in bad condition.
The past week has been very hard on live stock.
Mr. Blakesley reports the teacher's meeting held at Norfolk as a grand success.
Fairview will listen to the tolling of a new bell this summer.
Mr. Stewart is preparing to remove to Idaho.

Creamery is all the talk now days.
The correspondent of the Wayne Herald made some mistake last week. Miss Burle Moats has a new name and also Mr. Moats in place of Mrs. Mort.
Mr. Black and Mrs. Hall were up to Randolph Monday. They reported that the roads are improving.

Farmers
When
In
Wayne
Don't
Forget to call at the

EXCELSIOR RESTAURANT

NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that the signed will on the 13th day of March, 1897, apply to the governor of the State of Nebraska for a pardon for Grant Erickson Straub, now confined in the State Prison at Lincoln, Nebraska, for the crime of the State of Nebraska, October 20, 1896, in the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, and each sentenced to the term of one year at hard labor.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT.
Joseph F. Hicks, defendant, will file notice that on the 10th day of March, 1897, Ollie M. Hicks, plaintiff, filed her petition in the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, against the said defendant, the object of which is to obtain a divorce from the defendant, on the grounds that defendant has grossly wronged, and cruelly failed, neglected and refused to provide plaintiff with suitable maintenance, or any maintenance whatsoever, since the 5th day of February, 1897, defendant being of sufficient ability so to do. Plaintiff prays for an absolute divorce from the defendant; that she have the care and custody of their minor child Mary; that she be restored to her maiden name of Ollie M. Breckenridge, and granted equitable relief. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 10th day of May, 1897.
Dated April 2, 1897. OLLIE M. HICKS, Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.
(March 1 to April 1)
By virtue of an order of sale to me directed from the clerk of the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, on the 10th day of March 1897, in an action wherein the Plaintiff Mortgage & Debiture Co., was plaintiff and Frank Fuller, Horstense Fuller, J. C. Ludick, W. C. Pond and Carrie Pond, defendants, for the foreclosure of the mortgage hereinafter described, the plaintiff on the 23rd day of June, 1896, obtained a decree for the sum of \$2,183.00 and \$17.50 costs of suit and interest at 8 per cent on \$2,200 from June 3, 1896, and 12 per cent interest on \$2,200 from June 3, 1896, and all accruing costs, and that said premises be sold to satisfy the same when decree is in full force and unsatisfied. Therefore I will sell to satisfy said decree and accruing costs, the real estate described in the said order of sale to-wit: the south half of the south east quarter of section Thirty-five, Township Twenty-seven, Range Three, east of the 6th principal meridian, in Wayne County, Nebraska, to the highest bidder in cash, at the front door of the office of the clerk of the District Court, in the courthouse of said county, on the 17th day of April 1897, at ten o'clock A. M. of said day, when and where due attendance will be given by the undersigned.
Dated at Wayne, Neb., this 13th day of March, 1897.
ED. REYNOLDS, Sheriff of Wayne County.

SHERIFF'S SALE.
By virtue of an order of sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Wayne County, Nebraska, upon a decree rendered in said court at the April 1896 term in favor of Cornelius Harrington and Charles Robbins and the First National Bank of Wayne, Neb., against Benjamin Weibbaum, Mary M. Weibbaum,
I will on the 14th day of April, 1897, at Ten o'clock A. M., at the front door of the office of the Clerk of said District Court in the courthouse of said County of Wayne, Neb., at public auction to the highest bidder the following described real estate, to-wit: The North-half of the North-east Quarter (N. 1/2 N. E. 1/4) and the North-east Quarter of the North-west Quarter (N. E. 1/4 N. W. 1/4) of Section Ten (10), Township Twenty-six (26), Range Four, East of the Sixth P. M. to satisfy said decree the amount due thereon being \$200.00 with interest at 8 per cent from April 17th, 1895, and \$22.50 costs and all accruing costs.
Dated this 13th day of March, 1897.
ED. REYNOLDS, Sheriff of Wayne County, Neb.

Fine Fruits
come from the best trees. The best trees are grown in the far North. The very best trees come from our great Minnesota Nurseries—absolutely the best and hardest that money will buy.
We sell millions of trees and plants every year. This season we want to sell more than ever. Nobody at any price can sell you as good trees as we can at a low price. The thing to remember is that our trees and plants grow. And they bear fruit.
All we ask is your name and address, so we can send you a great deal of valuable information free. Tell us where you live, and we will tell you about our trees.
THE JEWELL NURSERY CO.,
LAKE CITY, MINN.

NEW STORE

NEW GOODS — NEW PRICES

WILDER & CO.

Are putting in a complete new stock at the old stand of

H. E. CORBIT

Having bought the Corbit stock for 50 cents on the \$ we are making some startling figures to close stock out in the shortest possible time:

WHY PAY MORE?

While the present stock lists we have no comparison, cost and actual values are considered. Come at once and see the goods. Come and see for yourself. COME ANY WAY.

WILDER & CO.

Betz Home Sanitarium Co.,
105 S. 15th Street, Omaha, Neb.

Agents wanted all over the state
Hot Springs at Home
WITH THE CELEBRATED
Betz Turkish, Russian and
Medicated Vapor Folding
Baths. Complete for \$5.00.

Recommended and used by over 16,000 Physicians, Hospitals, etc.
Unexcelled for the cure of rheumatism, Kidney and Liver troubles, Skin Diseases, Pneumonia, Neuralgia, Bronchitis, Nervous Debility, Gout, Insomnia, Catarrhs and Female Complaints.

Watches \$1 UP
All Warranted.
FINE REPAIRING A SPECIALITY
INGALLS THE JEWELER

Children Cry for Pitcher's Gator.
STATE BANK OF WAYNE
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$75,000.
Transacts a General Banking Business.
Its only Bank in the County whose stock is all held at home. Interest paid on Time Deposits.
J. W. Jones, President. C. A. Chace, Vice Pres't. Henry Ley, Cashier.

CENTRAL MEAT MARKET
FRED VOLPP PROPRIETOR.

Fresh and Cured Meats

New Furniture Store,
"And the Blow Almost Killed"

Bring in the Furniture buyers.
Our New Prices
(CUT THE MUSTARD)
Always on hand, the best the market affords.
WATSON THE LEADER.

CRAVEN
The Wayne Photographer
makes the finest finished

CABINET PHOTOGRAPHS
of any artist in Northeastern Nebraska at reasonable prices.
Special Attention Given to Children.
All work guaranteed to be First-Class in Every Respect.
MERRY OVER POSTOFFICE. WAYNE, NEBRASKA

Corner Restaurant,
MRS. RUTTER, Proprietress.
SHORT ORDER AND LUNCH
Special Attention paid Farmers and Transients.

JOHN S. LEWIS, JR.,
MANUFACTURER OF AND DEALER IN **HARNESS,**

Saddles, Bridles, Whips, Bankets.
COMBS, BRUSHES, ETC.
Wayne, Neb. Repairing of all kinds promptly attended. Call on me and I will do you good. Pender, Neb.

City Meat Market,
J. H. GOLL, Proprietor.
Fresh, Salt and Smoked Meats.
Highest market price paid for Hides and Furs.
WAYNE, NEBRASKA

PROGRAM
For No. 4, Teachers' Reading Circle, which meets April 24, at 8:00 p. m. The Nebraska School Law: Suggested changes—
Euola Caffee, D. Herner. Should the choosing of all School Officers be made non-political; if so how?
J. L. Killion, Jas. Mack. Of what benefit is a knowledge of History to the average citizen?
H. B. Masters, Maude Buskirk. How to cultivate the Historic spirit—
Belle Beswick. Reading Circle Work: History: Each Teacher is requested to prepare an outline for narrative, from lesson three, group six, page 299. Three outlines will be read and discussed. Child Study: Chap. III—Nora Larson President for next meeting—
H. B. Masters Current Events: Everybody. J. L. Killion, Secy.

