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THE CHAMBERLAIN TARIFF.

The tariff which Mr. Chamberlain proposed in his great speech at Glasgow is by no means an alarming one unless to people wholly wedded to free trade. Briefly put in terms intelligible to Canadians, he would impose a duty of two shillings per quarter, equal to six cents per bushel, on foreign wheat and a proportionate duty on flour, while admitting Colonial breadstuffs free. Also a duty of five cents on foreign meats, excepting bacon, which along with Indian corn would remain free of duty on account of being consumed by the poor. Wines and dried fruit are now dutiable in the Mother Country and these duties would be continued, but with a preferential reduction to colonial wines and fruits.

But against these new duties he would grant remissions of three quarters of the present duty on tea and half the duty on sugar. The net result of these changes to the consumer according to Mr. Chamberlain's estimate would be to lighten instead of increasing the burdens of the consumer. He claimed it would reduce the cost of the city artisan's food by five cents per week and the cost of the country laborer's food by four cents per week. Those who were able to credit his calculations would therefore find consolation in the prospect of reduced cost of living. For all practical purposes the amount of taxation and not the number of articles taxed is the vital matter. The lessened taxes on tea and sugar would probably offset the new taxes on foreign breadstuffs and meats, especially with Colonial food products admitted free as they are at present and the supply from this source constantly increasing as would assuredly be the case.

It may be urged that tea and sugar are not such prime necessities of life as are bread and meat. And it may be feared that the consumer would not get the full benefit of the partial remission of the tea and sugar duties while he might fear that his bread and meat would be made dearer by the full amount of the duties imposed on those articles. This latter will be denied, no doubt; but if the new duty should not increase the price of wheat and meat foods both the home producer and the Colonial producer of these articles would be disappointed. The Colonials will have no vote in the case when it comes before the British electorate, but even Mr. Chamberlain himself would have some hope of securing additional support among the home producers of corn and meat from the changes he proposes to make, and these British producers must have hope of better prices for their products if they are to be in any considerable degree influenced in their attitude.

But notwithstanding the inevitable and possible objections to his proposals, we conclude that Mr. Chamberlain has chosen his ground shrewdly. The real battle will be upon the contention that the cost of living to the average artisan and laborer will be increased. The free traders will have great opportunities for appealing to prejudices, and the working classes who form so large a proportion of the British electorate will not at the outset give very great weight to the promotion of imperial unity, if fearing it can only be obtained at the cost of a dear loaf. On the other hand there are many who are ready to accept almost any change in the hope that it may be for the better. And the advocates of the proposed new departure with Mr. Chamber-

lain at their head may be counted upon to present their scheme in the most attractive light. They are hopeful and enthusiastic, while on the other side, if there be perhaps a stronger confidence, there is no longer that firm assurance of the impregnability of the free trade position which has prevailed for so long a time in the past.

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OF INTEREST IN THE KITCHEN.

The culinary pages of the Delineator for November breathe the spirit of the Thanksgiving feast, but they are not filled with the trite recipes that it is customary in many publications to renege at this season. The title of the paper in 'The Carolita and I,' series, An Old Fashioned Thanksgiving, might suggest the contrary, but the dishes therein explained are of such an age that they are disregarded in this day, to the great loss of modern gourmands, and well merit retelling. Likewise the wording of A Colonial Dinner for Thanksgiving is misleading, for it is not the New England dinner enjoyed by our forefathers, with which every one is familiar, but a more elaborate affair, denominated a la Russe and doubtless, as delectable. A Witch's Supper for Halloween and Some Sweet Sauces are both enticing, and Mushrooms in Delicious forms contain some worthy suggestions for the housewife. Two illustrated pages of Cakes for Special Occasions are an attractive feature.



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