

**THE DAILY EXAMINER**

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**CONDITIONS OF TRADE.**

The conditions of trade as to the United States and Great Britain, set forth by the latest returns, are the cause of much anxious thought and discussion in the Mother Country. As the St. John Sun says, "the figures for the last fiscal year are startling. The value of United States exports was \$1,231,000,000, while the value of imports was less than half that sum. The value of United States exports was \$200,000,000 higher than in any previous year. The value of imports is lower than in any other year since the middle of the century. These figures do not include the trade in gold and silver, in which also there was an excess of imports, notwithstanding the great production. It is estimated that in the year now closing the value of imports into Great Britain will exceed by \$1,000,000,000 the value of exports. In 1897 the shortage was nearly \$800,000,000, and in 1896 something less. A quarter of a century ago the difference between the value of British exports and of British imports was about one-third what it is now. It is a feature of the United States increase of exports that a great part of the larger market is found in Great Britain. It is a feature of the decreased imports of the United States that the decline is largely— we might almost say mainly—in imports from Great Britain. In the current calendar year Great Britain will import from the United States for home use not less than 600,000,000 worth of goods, and is shipping to the United States not much more than \$150,000,000 worth of British produce." The immense stores of wealth held by the people of Great Britain enables them, for the present, to stand up against these adverse trade conditions. But it need not be said that they cannot and must not go on forever.

**POLICY OF EXPANSION.**

The Government of the United States, has, without doubt, and for good and all, adopted the policy of territorial expansion; and has so far committed the country to it that it will be difficult for Congress even if it desired to do so, to reverse it. It is remarked in a despatch to the New York Tribune—the chief newspaper organ of the Republican party—that "the importance of American interests in the Pacific Ocean, which has been so notably increased by Dewey's victory at Manila and the assumption by the U. S. of augmented responsibilities in consequence, received significant recognition from the navy department in the issue of orders to carry out plans which have been carefully matured in the last few weeks with a view to maintaining absolutely the political geography of that vast ocean as it exists today, and to prevent any further accessions of territory by European powers in the track of American commerce or along the lines of communication between the United States and its most distant possessions. Perhaps the official action of greatest importance related to the despatch of the auxiliary cruiser Yosemite about Jan. 1 from Norfolk to the Ladrone Islands by way of the Suez canal. The strategic value of the Yosemite's station at Guam is therefore manifest, and is calculated to prevent any change of sovereignty over the Caroline Islands without the cordial consent of the United States, especially as Dewey's squadron at Manila will be rather augmented than reduced in strength in the course of a few weeks. Another important order provided for loading the collier Abarenda, at Norfolk, with the best quality of Pocahontas coal and for the departure of that vessel about Jan. 1 for Samoa by way of the Strait of Magellan, a voyage of 10,000 nautical miles. Another order bearing on the situation in the Pacific was prepared to be sent to the special squadron when it arrives at Callao, directing the distilling ship Iris to proceed directly to

Manila. Before the end of January the Hawaiian Islands will become a strong base of naval strength and in conjunction with the effective forces at Manila and San Francisco, will effectually command the entire Pacific Ocean." This shows that Uncle Sam's designs are decidedly ambitious. The vastness of the power that will be exerted by the United States, when this policy shall have been carried out, is calculated to inflame the people's imagination and silence the counsels of caution and prudence.

**NOTES AND COMMENTS.**

—Congratulations to Major Davison.  
—The Mad Mullah, whose exploits recently caused a certain anxiety in India, has now been surprised. He has taken to flight, with two or three hundred dispirited followers.  
—An official list lately issued shows that there are now in the Province of Ontario 1213 cheese factories, 222 butter factories, and 19 cheese and butter boards. This is a great development in the course of a few years.  
—Lord Charles Beresford will return home via the United States, and will probably visit Canada. The Americans are looking forward to his visit, and consider that it will result in a great accession to their interests in the Far East, following upon the advancement of aims common to the two countries.  
—Commenting upon the knighthood recently bestowed upon W C McDonald the Montreal Star says: In Mr W C McDonald, to whom Her Majesty is pleased to offer signal distinction, Montreal has a man of whom any community might well be proud. To all objects commanding his approval, his assistance is timely and ungrudging, while to McGill he has been one of the two giants who have borne her past the dangers of a chequered career into the haven of security.

**Justly Indignant**

"I've come to kill a printer," said the little man.  
"Any printer in particular?" asked the foreman.  
"Oh, any one will do; I would prefer a small one, but I've got to make some sort of a bluff at fight or leave home, since the paper called my wife's pink tea a "swill affair."—Indianapolis Journal.

Gen's fur collars in Persian Lamb Astrachan collars, cuffs, also a nice assortment of men's caps in Astrachan Seal, Beaver and Persian. Prices to sell goods in stock as advertised.—Jas Paton & Co.

An extraordinary plague of rats has broken out in Eastern Belgium. The rodents are destroying the granaries and have caused stampedes among the live stock. In several instances children have been attacked. The government has ordered the troops to assist the farmers in a war of extermination.

James Paton & Co offer of free tickets by the P. E. I. Railway has been extended to the 2nd of January.

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