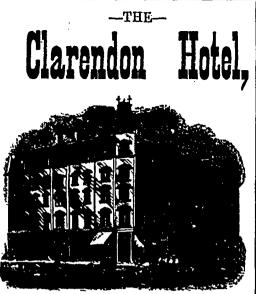
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TRADE returns for the United States, for the eleven months of the fiscal year, up to May 31st, show a considerable falling off in exports, and a large increase in imports. Total exports for the period named were \$040,217,170, against \$655,926,433 for the same period last year. The falling off in exports is due to the lighter exports of wheat and corn, consequent on the short crops in these screals list year. For the same period the total imports were \$661,024,362, against \$631,087,324, for the same time last year. This shows an increase in imports of nearly \$30,000,000. Of the increase in imports about \$22,000,000 was in dutiable goods, and the balance in free goods. Sugar and tea show a considerable falling off in imports, whilst



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cotton, flax, hemp, jute, woolen and silk fabrics, raw and manufactured, have been more largely imported. Iron and steel also show large imports.

THE Hamilton jury has brought in a verdict of guilty in the boycotting case lately referred to in this journal. The suit arose from an attempt by a labor organization, to boycott a fellow workman, who refused to join the organization. The leaders in the movement were arrested for conspiracy, and subsequently convicted of that offence. It is likely the case will be appealed, as the leaders of the laborassociation declare their intention of following the matter up to the end. The decision of the jury is certain to be received with a good deal of satisfaction, outside of course of those interested in securing an opposite verdict. If workingmen see fit to join a labor organization, they have every right to do so, but it must be acknowledged by unprejudiced persons, that workingmen also have a perfect right to decline becoming members of such societies. The attempt to boycott or prevent men from obtain. ing work because they decline to join a certain society, is certainly unjust and arbitrary, and individual workmen must be protected from

such action on the part of organized labor. Workmen have every right, individually or conjointly, to decline to work upon a certain job, or at less than a stipulated rate of wages, but here their rights end, and they must not illegally attempt to coerce others into acting with them. When such coercion is attempted the persecuted workman has a right to look for that protection which the laws of the country afford.

THE first action on the part of the new Governor of the Territories, is a thoroughly characteristic one of the man. According to apparently authentic reports, Mr. Royal's first move has been to ask for an increase in salary. Mr. Royal can be entirely relied upon in at least one matter, and this is that he will make the position of Governor as lucrative as possible for Mr. Royal.

A CORRESPONDENT at Crystal City writes :-S. T. Treble has the foundation laid for a carriage shop 60x48 in size. Ring & Parr are making arrangements for the erection of an elevator, and several private residences are in course of construction. The Victoria House is also to be considerably enlarged.