

he had bought one of these reapers for \$110, the price of the same machine to American farmers being from \$150 to \$170 simply could not distinguish the false from the true, with a decided bias towards the false. Mr. Washington's statement regarding the Oliver chilled plows is not sustained by even a mythical Canadian farmer, and the Oliver Chilled Plow Works denounce his report as "false," and "not a word of truth in it," for they "export no plows to Canada, and no Canadian dealer buys them" from the company. Mr. Washington has evidently been associating with some Canadian free traders who have imposed upon his credulity, and who are no friends to Canadian manufacturers of agricultural implements.

SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

REV. BURCHARD was Mr. Blaine's friend four years ago when, just previous to the election, he made his unfortunate "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" alliteration in favor of the Republican candidate. It defeated Mr. Blaine and gave Mr. Cleveland the presidency. It would be a singular coincidence if at this election Mr. Cleveland should be defeated through the unwise letter written in his behalf by his friend Lord Sackville.

THE authorities of the Canadian Bank of Commerce give an emphatic contradiction to the report in circulation that \$10 bills on that bank have been counterfeited. There have been none of the alleged counterfeit notes in circulation in this city, and at none of the bank's branches have any been detected. The \$10 note counterfeit some time since has been retired from circulation and there is no counterfeit on notes being issued by the bank.

SIR LEONARD TILLEY, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, while in Toronto a few days ago, paid a friendly visit to **THE CANADIAN MANUFACTURER**. Sir Leonard is a warm friend of this journal, and had the kindness to say that it was doing good service in the field in which it works—that as the advocate of Canadian manufacturing industries it is invaluable; and that its zeal in behalf of Canada's National Policy was appreciated by all who have the true interests of the Dominion at heart.

THE Montreal *Witness* gives currency to the exploded story about the Oliver Chilled Plow Company, an American concern selling their plows in Canada for twelve dollars, when they refuse to sell the same article in the United States for less than sixteen dollars. Its object in doing this is to have a fling

at the theory of tariff protection and to show how the American farmer is being robbed by it. The point might contain some pungency if there was any truth in the statement. But there is not a word of truth in it, and therefore no argument can be based upon it.

"THE action of the customs underlings towards a prominent gas man, writes our representative at the Toronto meeting, and as noted elsewhere, was an outrage."—*Light, Heat and Power*.

The indignation of our contemporaries arises from the fact that some of the "prominent gas men" from the United States who recently attended the convention of the American Gas Light Association, in Toronto, attempted to bring dutiable goods into Canada without paying duties thereon. The display of a few American silver dollars before the eyes of the Canadian customs officers did not swerve them from their duty, although the attempt to smuggle in books, cigars, watches, cutlery, etc., and their failure to do so through the vigilance of the officers is spoken of as "ludicrous."

THE *Empire* says that the fuss that is being raised in the United States because Lord Sackville, British Minister at Washington, gave a private answer to a private friend's enquiries about the Presidential election, is not intended to have any serious diplomatic result; that it is only an electioneering dodge to make the electors think that President Cleveland has British sympathies, and so work upon the prejudices of the anti-British voter. The *Empire* seems forgetful of the fact that Lord Sackville is really a high functionary, and that, as such, any utterances he may make regarding the purely local affairs of the country to which he is the accredited minister, must of necessity be flavored with the prestige of his official position, although his views may have been expressed privately to a private friend. The *Empire* may consider the writing of that letter "an electioneering dodge," but the letter was, nevertheless, written by the British minister who expressed "British sympathy" for President Cleveland. It is interesting to watch the course of events in the United States pending this Presidential campaign, and to see how the irony of fate produces an unfortunate letter from Lord Sackville which will probably do for Mr. Cleveland in 1888, just what Rev. Burchard's "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" alliteration did for Mr. Blaine in 1884. In 1884, Mr. Cleveland was elected through the blunder of Mr. Blaine's friend, while in 1888 he will most probably be defeated through the blunder of his own friend.

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MR. G. B. STEBBINS, Detroit, Mich., has sent us *The American Protectionists' Manual*, of which he is the author. The eighteenth thousand of this valuable book has gone through the press; the present being a revised edition with changes and late facts. It is a complete and compact magazine of facts and arguments bearing on the great issue, and which are as applicable to Canada as to the United States. Supporters of the N.P. may gain some valuable information from the book.