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THE GLINT ALLURING.

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Speaker Reed, who occupies a position of great power in public affairs, has of late been quiet and conservative, whether wisely or not remains to be seen. He probably regards it as necessary to co-operate with the new Administration in its plans to bring good times, but does not care to advertise the fact that he is playing a secondary part in the general scheme. The recent revival of the rumor that Mr. Reed will only partially organize the new Congress at the extraordinary session, appointing only such committees as are necessary to the proposed "prosperity" legislation, has renewed in the Republican press the lurid advertisement of the tariff cure for hard times. There are rip-snorting, double-leaded demands that through the operation of the tariff the receipts of the Government shall be made to equal the expenditures; that the awful, unbusiness-like policy of running behind shall be overthrown; that the menace of debt shall be removed, and that activity in trade and industry shall be by this means restored and the people shall be made universally happy.

This sort of talk is vapor. It is cheap campaign "wind-jamming." It is the blustering oratory, or the smooth composition, of men who may be able to round periods or arrange adjectives with a view to making an impression; but it does not represent thought that gets below the surface. It is the purpose of the new Administration, with the co-operation of Congress, to raise the tariff rates. This will be an increase of taxation. If the new bill does not increase the tariff taxes it will plainly be a failure as a revenue raiser or as a method of stimulating industry. Who is going to be helped by the increase in the tariff? Not the farmer, surely; and he stands in the most dire need of help. There are a few exceptions, but in the general aggregate the farmer's business cannot be benefited by tariff legislation. It is the manufacturer who must be considered when the rates of duty on imports are raised. While the producing element is without money to buy, and laboring under a heavy load of mortgages, of what account is it to the manufacturer to have Government encouragement to raise the price on his goods? He cannot sell them.

It is almost childish to say that the mere act of making the Government self-supporting, year by year, will set everybody to work and fill the land with milk and honey. The running behind in the Treasury is not even remotely the cause of the hard times among the

A GREAT STREET.

There is probably no street in the United States better known by name to the mass of the American people than Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington City, says the Kansas City Star. It is the aim of each freeborn American citizen to walk or ride at some period of his existence up Pennsylvania Avenue, and many millions of such have achieved their ambition. The history of Pennsylvania Avenue is, therefore, interesting for its own sake, and interesting also in that it is the history of a typical American street.

Something over 100 years ago a road was cut through the alder bushes from Georgetown, then a place of some importance and even antiquity, to the spot in the "boundless contiguity" selected as the capitol hill of the newly laid out capital city. This road was made to afford room for a procession led by Gen. George Washington to proceed from Georgetown to Capitol Hill and lay the corner stone of the capitol building with Masonic ceremonies. This "trail" was the first Pennsylvania Avenue. Little was done for the to-be-historic thoroughfare for some time except to drain it, and make a walk along

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