on account of the McKinley Bill proposals. One representative concern here is already taxed to the extent of forty per cent. on its shipments to the States, and further legislation on the other side is regarded as so near an approach to prohibition that even in the recent talk of a European Customs Retaliatory League being formed against the States is discussed with approval in many quarters.

nottingham.

the new company is not generally in the trade is not so cheerful as should be the case at such a season as the present, owing to bring with it a new and perhaps a more comprehensive and far-reaching plan. With the exception of customs and costume talks, however, the output on no class of goods can be large, and the consumption of many miscellaneous ides. For millinery likewise the inquiry is brisk, Valenciennes being chiefly in demand. The floral flowers have are likely to be on the wane. Should this surprise prove correct, a more active inquiry for lace may be looked for, and a larger demand for muslin freely. Cotton and plain. Once are slow, but in embroidery & and other lines there is more doing. There is a fair movement for and across merino hose, but cotton varieties are quiet.

the ketteringham carpet trade.

there is no falling off in the amount of business in the trade. On all kinds of goods there are signs and evidences of activity, and manufacturers of Brussels throughout the district have made much of the demand and the foreign buyers have come to the hand and. There has been a considerable excess in the average price of the year, and for the next quarter we are not likely to have much. So far, then, as employment is concerned, business is active at the present time, and in fact there is a great deal of dissatisfaction amongst the manufacturers themselves, with the prices even now obtainable, and it is not at all improbable that efforts were made towards a further advance in the near future, as worsted goods are still very high in price, and other goods which enter largely into the manufacture of carpets have gone up rapidly lately.

in addition to the rumours mentioned last week, there are rumours also current regarding small syndicates or combinations, but to those rumours it is felt that very little importance must be attached. At the present time, there is no indication of such an occurrence, and the mills are well filled with work. It is, however, not certain whether these reports will prove to be true, and it is possible that some difficulty may arise from this source, but in general the trade is in a better position than it was a few weeks ago, and it is hoped that the demand will continue to increase.

silk.

london.


dry goods.

manchester.

the glorious weather of the last few days has caused a rush in the fancy trade of the city, and as a result, prices have been advanced to the utmost capacity. It has, in fact, frequently happened that even when working until eleven o'clock at night, the whole of the trade's orders have not been despatched, large quantities being left over until the next morning. This shows how busy may be the state of trade.

the change is a welcome one, as the period from now to Whitenside is generally looked forward to as a time for a large and profitable trade, and the future may prove to be a prosperous period for the trade of the present portion of the year. While fancy goods have been in such brisk demand, there has also been a great deal of buying in the heavy departments, and judging from appearances, next week will also witness an extensive turnover. Fancy manufacturers are in a healthy condition, and most of the firms are well employed.

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