

American deals, 12 feet long, 3 inches thick, and 11 inches wide, sell for	£.	s.	d.	£.
	28	0	0	to 30 per 120.
Prussian deals, reduced to the same dimensions, fetch.....	35	0	0	
Russian, on average	35	0	0	
Swedish in proportion.....	36	13	4	
Norway.....	39	2	3	
Average.....	£36	8	10	

Thus, in the opinion of the consumer, who, after all, is the best judge in such a matter, Canadian timber is worth 2*l.* 15*s.* per load, and deals 7*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* per long hundred less than its competitors. Nobody can deny, that he who is obliged by the law to pay the same price for a bad article, as would purchase a good one, loses the difference in their relative value; and thus we are furnished with an approximative rule for measuring the amount of another enormous, though indirect, tax, which is imposed on Great Britain, by the present system of the wood duty; and all for the support of British interests forsooth!

The amount of this tax, calculated upon the average importation from Canada for three years, is, on	£.
207,000 loads of timber, at 2 <i>l.</i> 15 <i>s.</i> per load.....	569,250
On 6607 long hundreds of deals, at 7 <i>l.</i> 8 <i>s.</i> 10 <i>d.</i>	49,167
Loss to Great Britain, in the price she pays for the wood now consumed	350,000
Total loss annually, upon a moderate computation, arising to Great Britain from the present wood duties.....	£968,417

Here, then, is a sacrifice offered up to the idol