

industry for American Farmers. Whatever may be the result in the United States in this direction, the farmers of Canada would receive inestimable benefit if our Government would promise just the same as was promised by the American Government—a bounty of two cents per pound upon the production of beet sugar, to be continued for a period of some fifteen years. But the Canadian sugar refiners seem to have the ability to choke off any legislation in this direction.

It is to be hoped that the fight now on between the Toronto World and the Toronto Mail will be continued with much vigor. At the Toronto Fair these and the other Toronto daily papers stood together to squeeze the last possible dollar out of the exhibiting manufacturers, and in doing this the advertising cormorants, as the World calls them, bulldozed not only the exhibitors but even the officers of the Fair Association and all others who stood in their way. They had been given an inch and they take an ell. Like beggars on horseback they are riding in the direction of what will ultimately be their sheol. The World calls them master fakirs, fakirs and underfakirs; and they seem to have been properly designated by one of themselves who ought to know.

THE CANADIAN MANUFACTURER wants the duty on scrap iron made prohibitory. The Herald begs to move in amendment, seconded by 95 per cent. of the people of Canada, that the duty on all kinds of iron be abolished in toto. This is a bad time to talk about increasing duties.—Montreal Herald.

Don't get worried, sonny. When 95 per cent. of the people of Canada, or even 51 per cent., want the duties upon all

kinds of iron abolished in toto, they will have it in short order. But as long as a majority of the people want Canada to have an iron industry of its own, duties will be imposed upon iron. And pray keep this fact fresh in mind. Don't forget it. By increasing the duty upon scrap iron, making it practically prohibitory, we will have what we have not yet had, a comprehensive iron industry; and when we have that, all forms of iron will be cheaper than they now are.

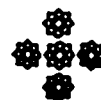
It is scarcely possible to suppose that any person in Canada would import into the country such things as jewelers' sweeps and photographers' waste for any purpose than to be refined with fire and the precious metals extracted therefrom. The articles have no value whatever until refined and the precious metals thus recovered; but it has taken many months of serious consideration on the part of the Government to convince them of the propriety of issuing an Order in Council to this effect. Wonderful is the operation of red tape.

A press telegram from Portland, Oregon, a few days ago was as follows:—

Portland's second street railway catastrophe within a year occurred yesterday morning when an electric car from Milwaukee, an East Side suburb to this place, plunged through the open draw of the Madison-street bridge and sank in the Willamette River. There were 18 or 20 passengers aboard when the car started to cross the bridge and all but seven of them saved their lives by leaping from the car on the brink of death. Five corpses have been recovered from the river and a man and boy are missing. It was about 6.45 p. m., when the car arrived at the bridge. A dense fog covered the river

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