

processed so as to give it a smooth service used for certain types of magazines. For instance, it does not take rotogravure reproductions as used in some of the Sunday issues.

Mr. DUNNING: This is an item on which drawback formerly applied. It runs in my mind that it has changed slightly, but for the minute I cannot put my finger on what the change is from what it was five years ago.

Mr. BENNETT: This item was not changed by the late government; my memory is that it has existed since 1922. The point is that if the item is bound it is idle to ask for free entry of this type of paper. When I was reading the item over I thought magazine publishers could not hope to get free entry.

Mr. DUNNING: My right hon. friend is not serious, I know.

Mr. BENNETT: Yes, I am.

Mr. DUNNING: The binding with the United States is, of course, that it shall not be higher.

Mr. BENNETT: But we are binding it; I see the point of the minister.

Mr. DUNNING: I thought the right hon. gentleman was joking with me.

Mr. BENNETT: It could be reduced by order in council?

Mr. DUNNING: Parliament could do so, at all events.

Mr. HEAPS: How much was imported under this item in the last fiscal year?

Mr. DUNNING: Total imports amounted to 35,000 pounds, valued at \$1,900, of which 29,000 pounds, valued at \$1,600, came from the United States.

Mr. HEAPS: How much was exported during the same year?

Mr. DUNNING: This item is not separately classified, but our total production of all kinds of book paper in Canada in the calendar year 1934 amounted to 32,900 tons, valued at \$3,790,000.

Mr. BENNETT: Is the minister giving the imports?

Mr. DUNNING: No; the total production.

Mr. BENNETT: What were the imports?

Mr. DUNNING: Very small. I gave the figures a few moments ago.

Mr. BENNETT: The reason I ask is that I dare say hon. members will recall receiving a document stating that the duties imposed involved an expenditure of \$35,000 a year in

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payment of duty on paper brought in for the purpose of printing these magazines. My understanding was that it was now supplied in Canada, and the figures the minister has given would seem to indicate that that is true, in view of the fact that importations were negligible.

Mr. DUNNING: There are a great many ins and outs in connection with this matter, as the right hon. gentleman knows.

Mr. BENNETT: I regret to say that it would seem to be mostly out.

Mr. DUNNING: I was not referring to the incidence of the tariff. With respect to the relation of publishers with the manufacturers of products they use may I say that the argument is not altogether one-sided. There are two sides to the story, and sometimes it is difficult to decide just what the fair line may be.

Mr. HEAPS: Has the minister any idea as to the price charged publishers by Canadian and American manufacturers of this paper?

Mr. DUNNING: There would be hundreds of quotations. Unless we can speak of comparable grades the information would not have any value.

Mr. HEAPS: The minister will understand why I ask the question. It arises out of some remarks I made this afternoon on a somewhat similar item. A complaint was made that Canadian publishers of newspapers and periodicals were saying that they were paying more for their newsprint and paper than were American publishers of similar magazines and papers. I do not know whether there is any truth in the suggestion, but if the minister has not the information we will have to leave the matter at that.

Mr. DUNNING: I do not want to give misinformation. I would rather refrain from answering than take a chance on giving wrong information. My hon. friend's last remark illustrates the difficulty. He used the words magazines and newspapers in the same sentence, and of course there is a wide difference between them and a great difference in their value.

Mr. BENNETT: They are free in both countries, both ways.

Mr. DUNNING: Yes, so far as that is concerned.

Mr. HEAPS: Is not the price fixed as a rule by the manufacturer?

Mr. DUNNING: If I might speak for a moment from some experience in trying to