

consumes our manufactures, and the produce of our other Colonies; and it is, moreover, our $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. duty on certain articles taxed from 30 to 75 per cent. by the United States, that induces a certain portion of the Americans on the boundaries to supply themselves from the Canadian markets.

Your quotations from Sir H. Parnell and M'Culloch are, I know well enough, great authorities with a certain set of commercial politicians: they have often been refuted; but as names go far with some folks, I will begin by quoting the trite exclamation of Buonaparte: "Ships, colonies, and commerce;" and a sentence from Talleyrand—"bodies politic ought to reserve to themselves the means of placing to advantage at a distance a superabundance of citizens, who may from time to time threaten their tranquillity." But what is more to our purpose, the writings of BROUGHAM, who says, "Each nation derives greater benefit from having an increasing market in one of its own Provinces, than in a foreign Country.

"The colonial trade is always increasing and capable of indefinite augmentation; every operation of colonial traffic replaces two capitals, the employment and distribution of which puts in motion and supports the labour of the different members of the same state.

"The increasing wealth of Russia, Prussia, or Denmark, can never benefit Great Britain unless by the increasing demand for British produce which it may occasion. It may, and often is, on the contrary, turned against her wealth and power; whilst the riches of colonies have a certain tendency to widen the market for British produce, and can never injure the wealth or power of the mother country.

"The possession of remote territories is the only thing which can secure to the population of a country those advantages derived from an easy outlet, or prospect of outlet, to those persons who may be ill provided for at home.

"It is absurd to represent the defences and government of colonies as a burden. It is ridiculous for the United Kingdom to complain, that she is at the expense of governing and defending her colonial territories."