

Canada-United Kingdom Trade Agreement

to see the duty equalized with that on the motor in the washing machine. As it is now I believe these small motors carry a duty 5 per cent higher than on the motor included as part of the washing machine. The reduction in duty on electric motors coming from Great Britain is not helpful because no motors of the type used in washing machines are brought from England, nor can they be brought from there because the production of such fractional horse-power motors has never been developed in England, and prices there are considerably higher than in Canada or the United States where this type of motor is used so largely on small appliances. I would ask the minister to consider the question of equalizing the rate of duty on electric motors coming from the United States with the rate on motors coming in as part of a washing machine.

Mr. DUNNING: That is a thorny question. It does not arise under this agreement; it arises under our general tariff. I recognize the force of my hon. friend's point, but there are many difficulties in the way.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—ex 445k. Electrical instruments and apparatus of precision of a class or kind not made in Canada, viz:—meters or gauges for indicating and/or recording altitude, amperes, comparisons, capacity, density, depth, distance, electrolysis, flux, force, frequency, humidity, inductance, liquid levels, ohms, operation, power factor, pressure, space, speed, stress, synchronism, temperature, time, volts, volume, watts; complete parts thereof: rate of duty, free.

Mr. DUNNING: A reduction in rate from 15 per cent to free. Our total imports were \$130,000, these statistics covering electric meters and complete parts.

Mr. BENNETT: Largely used in aircraft.

Mr. DUNNING: There are various classes of meters and meter parts. But the item does not include automobile ammeters.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—445l. Electric storage batteries, composed of plates measuring not less than eleven inches by fourteen inches and not less than three-quarters inch in thickness; complete parts thereof: rate of duty, free.

Mr. DUNNING: No change.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—445m. Flame proof electric switch gear, for use underground in coal mines, and complete parts thereof: rate of duty, free.

Mr. DUNNING: No change.

Item agreed to.

[Mr. Gladstone.]

Customs tariff—446. Electric steam turbo generator sets, 700 h.p. and greater, of a class or kind not made in Canada, and complete parts thereof: rate of duty, free.

Mr. DUNNING: No change.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—446a. Manufactures, articles or wares, of iron or steel or of which iron or steel or both are the component materials of chief value, n.o.p.: rate of duty, 10 per cent.

Mr. DUNNING: No change.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—ex 446a. Cellulose acetate film reinforced with wire mesh: rate of duty, free.

Mr. DUNNING: There is a reduction from 10 per cent to free. This is a new item, its purpose being to afford free entry of cellulose acetate film reinforced with wire mesh. This is merely a technical description of what might be referred to in simpler terms as windowing for poultry houses. This material, sold in England under various trade names, is to some extent displacing glass for window use. It is non-breakable, luminous, semi-transparent, said to be non-inflammable and is reputed to have the advantage of transmitting certain health-giving rays which are excluded by ordinary glass. So far as is known there is no Canadian manufacture.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—ex 446 et al. Electric welding apparatus, not including motors: rate of duty, 10 per cent.

Mr. MacNICOL: I should like again to congratulate the minister on seeing to it that the words "not including motors" are in this item. If he will follow my suggestions along these lines—I made this suggestion last year—instead of those of the hon. member for Moose Jaw or the hon. member for Melfort he will certainly help to provide work for Canadians.

Mr. DUNNING: When my hon. friend from Davenport advises me to make a tariff item free, I am sure there will be joy among the angels.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—446b. Steel bicycle rims, not enamelled nor plated: rate of duty, free.

Mr. DUNNING: No change.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—446c. Golf shafts of seamless steel, coated or not, but not chromium plated: rate of duty, free.

Mr. DUNNING: No change.

Item agreed to.