

*Canada-United States Trade Agreement*

me that before we can intelligently discuss these items concerning rubber goods, we should know what articles will have the excise tax removed, and on what articles it will remain.

Mr. DUNNING: May I tell my hon. friend why that information is not necessary to him. It is not necessary because he gets all his crude rubber free, now, under the British preference, and at present under the British preference there is no three per cent special excise. So my hon. friend can possess his soul in patience in that regard, and be sure that everything is going well.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—619a. India-rubber clothing and clothing made from waterproofed cotton fabrics: 30 per cent.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—622. Trunks, valises, hat boxes, carpet bags, tool bags, and baskets of all kinds, n.o.p.: 30 per cent.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—623. Musical instrument cases and fancy cases or boxes of all kinds, portfolios and fancy writing desks, satchels, reticules, card cases, purses, pocket-books, fly books and parts thereof: 30 per cent.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—624a.

ex (i) Toys of all kinds, n.o.p.: 30 per cent.  
(ii) Mechanical toys of metal: 30 per cent.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—647. Jewellery of any material, for the adornment of the person, n.o.p.: 35 per cent.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—651. Buttons of all kinds, covered or not, and button blanks other than in the rough, n.o.p.; recognition buttons and cuff or collar buttons: 30 per cent; and, per gross, 5 cents.

Mr. HOMUTH: What is the importation of buttons from the United States? I should like those figures for this and the next item; I do not know whether or not they are separate.

Mr. DUNNING: I have them separately. Under this item we imported \$155,000 worth from the United States and exported \$37,000 worth to all countries, the exports to the United States being very small.

Mr. HOMUTH: Were our exports chiefly to Australia and New Zealand?

Mr. DUNNING: Our exports were chiefly to the United Kingdom, British South Africa and Trinidad.

Item agreed to.

[Mr. Ross (St. Paul's).]

Customs tariff—651a. Buttons, and button blanks other than in the rough, of vegetable ivory: 30 per cent, and, per gross, 10 cents.

Mr. DUNNING: My hon. friend wants the same information on this item. Our imports from the United States amounted to \$54. Exports were included in the previous item, and our Canadian production was \$205,000.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—654. Bristles, broom corn, and hair brush pads: free.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—ex 655a. Crayons of chalk: 20 per cent.

Mr. MacNICOL: I should like to ask the reason for cutting this tariff by approximately forty-two per cent.

Mr. DUNNING: I receive a great deal of correspondence about many of these items. I cannot remember one about which there were more requests for a reduction in duty in the last couple of years than I received from schools and places of that kind in connection with the duty on chalk. On looking into the matter it seemed to me that we could do that which is here done.

Mr. MacNICOL: Do we export any crayons ourselves?

Mr. DUNNING: Exports are not separately recorded. If any, they go in with a basket item of exports.

Mr. COLDWELL: Is there any considerable industry in the making of such crayons?

Mr. DUNNING: Our production of chalk and wax crayons amounted to \$112,000 in the last recorded year.

Mr. COLDWELL: And our imports?

Mr. DUNNING: Our total imports were \$90,000, of which \$61,000 came from the United States and most of the balance from Great Britain.

Item agreed to.

Customs tariff—657a. Cinematograph or moving picture films, positives, one and one-eighth of an inch in width and over, n.o.p.: 2½ cents per linear foot.

Mr. ESLING: May I ask the minister if this is a new item?

Mr. DUNNING: No; this is the same item, with a reduction in the tariff rate.

Mr. ESLING: Then, how does it differ from the ordinary film?