

On tobacco: it was moved in amendment by THOMAS PATTERSON, seconded by C. T. BATE, That the clause relating to tobacco be expunged, which was carried on a division.

The next clause (on liquor) was also carried.

On hops: it was moved in amendment by J. ROCHESTER, seconded by THOS. HUNTON, That hops imported from the United States be admitted duty free, as at present, which was lost on a division.

The debate on this amendment elicited the fact that Canada was rapidly becoming a hop producing country. The remaining clauses were passed without any division.

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SUGARS.

The Committee appointed to consider the present tariff, so far as it affects sugars, teas, tobaccos, hops, wines, liquors and general groceries, beg leave to report the following:

SUGARS.—That they find that there exists very great dissatisfaction with the working of the Tariff on this article.

The Committee coincides with the views of those who advocate a combined specific and *ad valorem* system, as preferable to the wholly specific, and would recommend a uniform duty of one per cent specific and twenty per cent. *ad valorem*, dispensing with all classification, being of opinion that such a duty would be just to all parties, and while giving abundant protection to refiners, would also create a healthy competition and tend to foster and direct trade with the West Indies and South America.

MOLASSES.—The Committee recommend a uniform duty of 73 cents per 100 lbs.

TEA.—The Committee think that the present discrimination between black and green teas is unjust, and would recommend a uniform duty of 4 cents per pound specific and 29 cents *ad valorem*.

COFFEES AND CHICORY.—The Committee desire to see as near an approach to the *ad valorem* principle on these articles as possible, and would recommend a duty of one per cent. specific and twenty per cent. *ad valorem* on all descriptions.

FRUITS, &c.—We would recommend a continuance of the present duty, without the addition of any specific.

TOBACCO.—The Committee think that in addition to the present taxes, it would be well to impose a duty of 3 cents per lb. on imported leaf, and a corresponding addition to the customs duty on manufactured.

LIQUORS.—The Committee strongly recommend that the duty should be charged according to strength, and the actual quantity, whether in wood or in bottle.

The Committee deem it important that a system of Drawbacks should be established on Canadian refined sugars and manufactured Tobacco, so that the refiners, manufacturers and merchants, may be enabled to export to foreign countries at the first cost of the article.

HOPS.—The Committee find that American Hops are being largely imported into this country, and are charged duty when exported to the