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duties should be the reverse of what its advocates expect, what effect would the failure of their measure have on Great Britain and Canada. Without obtaining cheaper timber, or the increased revenue they calculated on, these wise men would find that they had ruined one of the finest Colonies of the Empire: that they had destroyed the means of manning the navy: that they had cut down the bridge that afforded a cheap conveyance across the ocean for their own redundant population, entailing thereby misery and distress on the unhappy objects themselves, and a train of taxes in the shape of poor rates, on the whole community.

Will then the people of England sanction a measure based on injustice, ignorance, and misrepresentation, and thereby risk the ruin of a million of their fellow subjects, and the loss of Colonies that are an Empire in themselves, while connected with the Parent State, at the instigation of a few whose only object is private gain by obtaining an undue preference over an immense majority of their fellow subjects.

Notwithstanding all the inquiries that have from time to time, been made—notwithstanding the Reports of Committees of the House of Commons, and Reports of Royal Commissioners, the people of England are still in a most lamentable state of ignorance, as to the political as well as commercial state of Canada; and that ignorance can only be removed and the truth brought out by allowing individuals who have an interest in the Province, and who have been resident in it for a series of years, to form part of the body before whom inquiries respecting it or its trade, are authorised to take place.