

in both countries, is conclusive proof of the utter absurdity of the Canada Sugar Refining Co.'s contentions.

In contradiction of the Canada Sugar Refining Co.'s extraordinary statement to you, that, duty free and preferential sugars in the United States reduce the average duty paid basis of 96° raws from \$1.68½ to \$1.09½, which I cannot believe they really believe themselves, I refer you to, Willett & Gray's Weekly Journal, New York, January 4, 1906, Czarnikow, Macdougall & Co.'s, New York weekly circulars, January to December, 1905, and, Willett & Gray's Daily Journal of March 24, 1906, filed, with particulars of sales of duty free, preferential, and non-privileged full duty paying, sugars on the same days at the same duty paid equivalents in New York, such as:—

May 26th, 1905.

Cuba Centrifugals basis 96 at 4¾c, duty paid, paying duty at 1.34 8-10c.

San Domingo Centrifugals basis 96 at 4¾c, duty paid, paying duty at 1.68½c.

May 31st, 1905.

Porto Rico Centrifugals basis 96 at 4¾c, duty free.

Surinam Centrifugals basis 96 at 4¾c, duty paid, paying duty at 1.68½c.

Porto Rico Mucovados basis 89 at 3¾c, duty free.

British West Indian Muscovados basis 89 at 3¾c, duty paid, paying duty at 1.44c.

Porto Rico Molasses Sugar basis 89 at 3½c, duty free.

Surinam Molasses Sugar basis 89 at 3½c, duty paid, paying duty at 1.44c.

It is the same, as you will find on examining the various circulars filed, whether the sugars are sold "duty paid," c. and f., or c.i.f., "in bond," the duty free sugars are sold at the equivalent of the duty paid price of the dutiable sugars with the duty added to the "in bond" price, and equally duty paying sugars are sold "in bond" less the rate of duty they pay respectively deducted from the equivalent "duty paid" price at which duty free sugars are quoted. There is one "duty paid" price for all sugars of the same test in New York, no matter what rate of duty they pay, or whether they do not pay any duty, and it makes no difference whether they are domestic, or foreign. Sellers get the full benefit of a preferential rebate of duty in the United States.