

fining their efforts, in this work, strictly within the limits of the laws of the country in which they may reside.

"This Board sees also, in this arrangement, a valuable power in furthering the trade interests of both importers and exporters of the Dominion, enabling importers to deal direct with foreign manufacturers, instead of through British middlemen, and also enabling exporters of grain and other Canadian products, to deal direct with Continental European purchasers, instead of through the commission houses of London Liverpool and New York, as has been the general rule heretofore."

Copies of the above resolution were forwarded to every Board of Trade in Canada, some one hundred and thirty in all, with a request that they take steps to endorse the principle therein contained, and make representations to the Dominion Government and their representatives in Parliament, that action should be taken to carry this plan, of securing representation abroad, into effect. Many Boards have answered, expressing their approval of the suggestions made by this Board, and promising to support the movement.

BRUSSELS INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION, 1897.

The London, England, Chamber of Commerce notified the Board, in July last, that Her Majesty's Government had accepted the invitation of the Belgian Government to be represented at the International Exhibition, to be held in Brussels in 1897; and the Government requested the London Chamber of Commerce to organize a British section. The London Chamber were desirous that Colonial products should be included in this exhibition, and asked the assistance of Canadian Boards of Trade to secure a proper representation