

RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE FOURTH CONGRESS OF
CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE OF THE EMPIRE, 1900.

*Commercial Relations Between the Mother Country and Her
Colonies and Dependencies.*

Whereas, it is generally recognized that an advantageous commercial bond is one of the strongest links in national unity, and that the maintenance and strengthening of trade is the keystone of a state's successful development;

And whereas, the existence of an Empire is largely dependent upon the material prosperity of its people;

Therefore, be it resolved, That in the opinion of this Congress the bonds of the British Empire would be materially strengthened and the union of the various parts of Her Majesty's Dominion greatly consolidated by the adoption of a commercial policy based upon the principle of mutual benefit, whereby each component part of the Empire would receive a substantial advantage in trade as the result of its national relationship.

Further, resolved, That in order to make the foregoing operative, the Chair shall appoint, before this Congress dissolves, a representative and proportionate Committee of Home and Colonial Delegates to devise a scheme of this nature, and report to this or a similar Commercial Congress, and that a copy of this resolution be officially forwarded to the Home and Colonial Governments concerned in the proposition.

Unanimously adopted at a general meeting of the Board, December 4th, 1899."

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