REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

OF THE

Chamber of Commerce of the State of Bew-Pork,

ON THE

RECIPROCITY TREATY,

AS TO TRADE BETWEEN THE BRITISH NORTH AMERICAN PROVINCES AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The Board of Trade of the City of Montreal, in the early part of the present year, having expressed its wish to this Chamber that it would consider and report upon the existing Reciprocity Treaty, under the stipulations of which the present commercial intercourse between the British North American Provinces and the United States has been conducted since 1854, the time when it came into operation, this Chamber proceeded, in conformity with such wish, to the consideration of the subject. A select committee was accordingly raised for that purpose, and has been engaged for several months in pursuing the preliminary inquiries necessary to enable it to present the present report. The materials accumulated in such quantities, as to make a proper digestion of them a work of no little diffi-