

## THE MANUFACTURERS' MEMORIAL.

I think it will be a fitting "Finis" to this volume to give the Memorial of the Manufacturers' Association lately presented to the Canadian Government. There can be no greater mistake than to take it for granted that the manufacturers would be the only gainers by revising the tariff. In fact, they would in many cases be the losers, for by shutting out the Americans they would bring their factories into Canada in order to supply their customers, so that we would soon have *cheaper* instead of *dearer* goods. Below is the Memorial:—

"For some time past we have urged that in the interests of Canada her tariff question should be removed entirely from politics, and be viewed as a national business problem. As time passes, and the tariff wars of nations multiply, we are more than ever convinced that in this we are correct; and we believe it to be the duty of the Government of the day, irrespective of any party watchword or tradition, to immediately adopt that policy which will best defend the interests of our citizens, and not only secure for Canada the development of her vast resources, but preserve and foster within our borders those great industries which provide industrial opportunities for her people. In recommending an immediate and general revision of the tariff, this is our sole purpose, and we believe we need no other.

## GENERAL REVISION NECESSARY.

"Six years have now elapsed since a general revision was made. During that time Canada and her resources have come to be better known, and the