

Ways and Means—Customs Tariff

Mr. ROBB: I would suggest that my hon. friend send the list to some reputable manufacturing firm and have it checked up. I am not a manufacturer of agricultural implements.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: But you have an expert adviser here. Surely the minister will not take the position that he does not know what he is legislating about.

Mr. ROBB: Oh, no.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: That is the position unless you tell us what articles are going to be affected. It must be so. I am quite content to take the answer of the minister. If he will admit that the government does not know what it is doing—

Mr. ROBB: I will be quite content to take the list and have the customs authorities who are to administer the act, look carefully into it and check it over.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: I will put it on Hansard, and then the minister can have it checked. My instructions are that these are only some of the things.

Mr. ROBB: Carried.

The following is the memorandum submitted by the hon. member for West York (Sir Henry Drayton):

Exhibit

Item 445b of the tariff changes effective the 11th April, 1924, provides as follows:—

"445b. Rolled iron or steel in bars, coils or rods and pig iron, when imported by manufacturers for use exclusively in their own factories in the manufacture of goods enumerated in tariff items 445 and 446...FREE."

Under the above provision, rolled iron or steel in bars, coils or rods, and pig iron, are free of duty and sales tax, when imported by manufacturers for use exclusively in their own factories in the manufacture of the following:

- Item 445—
 - Mowing machines,
 - Harvesters, self-binding or without binders,
 - Binding attachments,
 - Reapers,
 - Complete parts of the foregoing.

- Item 446—
 - Cultivators,
 - Harrows,
 - Horse-rakes,
 - Seed drills,
 - Manure spreaders,
 - Weeders,
 - Complete parts of the foregoing.

Item 445a of the tariff changes effective April 11th, 1924, provides as follows:

"445a. Articles which enter into the cost of the manufacture of goods enumerated in tariff items 445, 446, 446b, 447b, 448 and 591, when imported by manufacturers of such goods for use in the manufacture of goods enumerated in tariff items 445, 446, 446b, 447b, 448 and 591, provided that goods which are entitled to free entry or a lower rate of duty than is mentioned in this item shall not be entered at the rate specified in this item..... 7½%"

[Sir Henry Drayton.]

All materials or goods which enter into the cost of the manufacture of the following, and which would be subject ordinarily to higher duties than 7½%, are to be admitted under above quoted item when imported by manufacturers for use in the manufacture of the following goods:

- Item 445—
 - Mowing machines,
 - Harvesters, self-binding or without binders,
 - Binding attachments,
 - Reapers,
 - Complete parts of the foregoing.

- Item 446—
 - Cultivators,
 - Harrows,
 - Horse-rakes,
 - Seed drills,
 - Manure spreaders,
 - Weeders,
 - Complete parts of the foregoing.

- Item 446b—
 - Ploughs,
 - Complete parts thereof.

- Item 447b—
 - Wind-stackers,
 - Threshing machine separators,
 - Baggers,
 - Weighers and self-feeders,
 - Complete parts of the foregoing.

- Item 448—
 - Spraying machines,
 - Fruit or vegetable grading machines,
 - Incubators for hatching eggs,
 - Brooders for rearing young fowl,
 - Pruning hooks,
 - Pruning shears,
 - Hay loaders,
 - Potato diggers,
 - Fodder or feed cutters,
 - Grain crushers,
 - Fanning mills,
 - Hay tedders,
 - Farm or field rollers,
 - Post-hole diggers,
 - Snaths,
 - Milking machines,
 - Milking machine attachments.
 - Centrifugal machines for testing butter fat, milk or cream,
 - Stumping machines,
 - Agricultural implements not otherwise provided for.
 - Complete parts of the foregoing.

- Item 591—
 - Farm wagons,
 - Logging wagons,
 - Complete parts of the foregoing.

Some goods used in the manufacture of the foregoing, and a comparison of the old and new rates of duty, are listed below the better to illustrate the scope of these changes, viz.:

Material	Old Rate	New Rate
Adjustable Sieves.. . . .	15%	10%
Air cleaners.. . . .	10%	6%
Babbit.. . . .	15%	7½%
Baggers for threshers.. . . .	15%	10%
Balls, Steel, for binders, etc.. . .	10%	6%
Ball bearings.. . . .	10%	6%
Barrels.. . . .	25%	7½%
Benzine (gasoline).. . . .gal.	2½%	7½%
Bits.. . . .	30%	7½%
Blades.. . . .	12½%	7½%
Bolts..100 lbs.	75c	7½%
	and 25%	
Brake lining..	30%	7½%
Brass Injectors..	15%	10%