

ed in the schedule A of the Canada-trade-act, and the liability of others to pay duty on being exported to other colonies or to Great Britain, we are glad to have it in our power to give some information on these points. The principal officers of the customs here have been advised, on taking a legal opinion on the subject, that all articles which could be legally imported, by land or inland navigation, prior to the Canada trade-act, may still be imported, by land or inland navigation, although not specified in the schedule A annexed to that act. *The important article of ashes is therefore to be considered as admissible AS FORMERLY.*" (The rest of the notice, relates to the liability of such imported articles to pay duty on being re-exported, and not bearing upon the matter at issue, is omitted.)

The innumerable cavils, loopholes, abuses, and interruptions, that take place in the commercial intercourse between Canada and the United States is occasioned by the unstatesmanlike practice, which has, with respect to her colonies, been invariably adopted by the Parliament of England, namely, that of legislating in detail, for distant and almost unknown provinces, without even a slight knowledge of, or under very erroneous, imperfect, or interested, representations relative to the local, temporary and personal, interests, situations, and habits, of the different countries and places that are affected by their enactments. This fertile topic must, however, remain for a future opportunity.

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In resuming the subject of the CHARRIVARRI from last number, the first observation that occurs is that I stand alone amongst all the Canada publishers;

"Amongst the faithless, faithful only found;"

in vindicating the custom itself, in reprobating the wanton and wicked outrage committed by the parties who fired upon the populace, and in condemning the magistrates for barrassing and imprisoning the innocent, whilst they suffer the guilty to escape, or go at large. It is true the last numbers of the *Canadian Spectator* have not reached me, but that of 4th June, immediately after the event, is entirely silent respecting it. I am not surprised that the *Herald*, the *Courant*, and the *Times*, all unionist-papers, should take the side they do; but that the *Spectateur Canadien* should, instead of an original article, have only copied an invective against the custom of the Charrivari from the *Gazette Canadienne*, seems very strange, as I look on that paper, and the *Canadian Spectator* as the only two constitutional and anti-unionist papers in Canada, and as such, I should conceive, bound to exclaim against whatever tends to restrain or obliterate the ancient French customs, and destroy the distinctive national character of the French Canadians. To the writer of the following letter, I have to apologize for