

what we sell, and take credit on what we buy, and therefore the butter is pretty much on our own side. In other words, Brother Jonathan takes nothing from us but what will bring cash in any market in the world, while he sells us goods that will bring cash nowhere, and which are almost unsaleable in any other country.

To cap the climax of absurdity, we are told that coals will be sent to Newcastle, if they cannot be sent elsewhere, and that even these coals are convertible into coin, evidently hinting that the goods may be returned and resold in the United States, while he must know that the protective policy of his own country, subjects even their own manufactures to a heavy duty should they seek an entrance into their markets after being exported. We have not yet adverted to the disastrous effects of over-importations on the industrial interests of the country, but these are so patent to all as to require no comment or illustration at our hands. Of one thing our Chicago friend may rest assured, and that is, that Canada will not at the present day become embarrassed through an over-importation of his new system of political economy.

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## THE CHINESE SUGAR CANE.

We have on former occasions referred to the cultivation of the Sorghum, or Chinese Sugar Cane and its adaptability to the soil and climate of Western Canada, and we have now the pleasure of laying before our readers, a very able essay on the same subject from the pen of Charles Robb, Esq., C. E., of Hamilton, and read before the Literary Association of that city. Mr. R. also gave a very interesting account of the African Sugar Plant, which we propose to give in a future number :

“The consideration of the subject to which I shall have the honor on the present occasion, of directing the attention of the Association, has been suggested to me by my esteemed friend Mr. Adam Brown, who, on a recent visit to New York, procured a copy of a work by Mr. Henry S. Olcott,\* an eminent Agriculturist of N. Y. State, embodying the fullest, most recent, and authentic information on the subject. Being strongly impressed with the opinion that the introduction of this new branch of Agricultural Industry into Can-

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\* Sorgho and Imphee ; the Chinese and African Sugar Cane. A Treatise upon their Origin, Varieties and Culture. By Henry S. Olcott. New York ; A. O. Moore, 140 Fulton St., 1858.