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as to how tariffs may be reduced, but mainly for the purpose of ensuring that the protectionist feature shall be retained. The board is to be used not to serve the interests of Canadian consumers, but as a means of enabling British firms, where they may feel that the slight opportunities afforded them under the tariff agreements of slipping their goods over tariff walls which are recognized as adequately protectionist, to take advantage of their opportunity. The tariff board as it is functioning today is an auxiliary of the protectionist interests in Canada. In no sense can it be regarded as a tribunal before which Canadian consumers or producers can be heard with respect to grievances they may have. As a matter of fact no grievances of any kind can be so much as considered by the board where it arises from a Canadian source unless it be referred to it by the government in the first instance.