which at present is \$2 per 1000 feet on lumber, and 30 cents per M. on shingles; to be lessened or abolished when it is made to appear to the Governor General in Council that such course has been taken by the Government of the United States.

We feel that the imposition of an import duty on such terms should be due to our own dignity as a country, would be of general benefit not only to the trade, but to the people and country at large, without inflicting a hardship on any.

We again beg to urge on the Government through you that the unanimous wishes of our industry throughout the Dominion receive your practical consideration during the coming session of Parliament.

We have the honor to be, Sirs,

Your obedient servants,

(Signed) John Hendry, President, Hilton Keith, Act. Sec'y,

B. C. Lumber & Shingle Manufacturers' Association.

VANCOUVER, B. C., January 16th, 1901.