

## ON COMMERCE. II

be had elsewhere. The Dutch cordage made for exportation is by no means good, being made of the refuse of hemp and old cables, but that which is made for their own use is very good. America manufactures a considerable quantity of cordage, but at least imports from Britain one half. Russia makes a great deal of cordage for exportation, and may become competitors with us in that article, if we do not take off or lower the duty on hemp and tar, to enable us to furnish America cheaper. We now take 15,000 tons of hemp yearly from Russia.

### *Jewellery, and ornamental, as well as useful, Articles in the Birmingham Stile, such as Buckles, Watch-Chains, &c. &c.*

These articles will be imported from Great Britain. In France, they are either too costly, or too badly designed and finished, to suit the American taste; whilst the British manufactures of those articles have so far succeeded, in uniting the solid and useful with the showy and agreeable, as to have the preference, even in France.

### *Materials for Coach-makers, Sadlers, and Upholsterers.*

These articles must be imported from Great Britain, as well as all such of the articles for house furniture, which are not manufactured in the American States. The materials principally will be imported. Upholstery, in many articles, is too bulky; but all that goes from Europe will be from England.

## MEDICINAL DRUGS.

Will be imported from Great Britain in preference to any other country, on account of the knowledge which the apothecaries, physicians, and surgeons in the American States, have of the method of procuring and preparing them in Great Britain, and from the familiarity of the practice of medicine and surgery in the two countries.

## STEEL in BARS.

At present this article, for all common uses, is made to good profit in the American States, but they still import a great deal of English and German steel. The English is cheapest, therefore in general used; but the latter is best.

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