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THESE IMMIGRANTS WERE UNDESIRABLE

Cost Uncle Sam $2,000,000,000 a Year — Plant Pests from Europe and Asia.

(Bangor Commercial)

A better understanding of the need of safeguarding the country's major agricultural crops against possible introduction of destructive pests and diseases is among the important results of the plant quarantine conference called by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace at Washington, D. C., May 15-16.

The quarantine, it was pointed out, recognizes the fact that any importation of plants is attended with a risk of bringing in new enemies. Conservative estimates place the annual loss to American agriculture from imported pests at about $2,000,000,000, not including the destruction done by imported plant diseases. Some of the worst pests have come in with very insignificent shipments. A single trivial importation of Japanese iris brought in the Japanese beetle. It is acknowledged that this little insect can not be exterminated, that it will continue to spread over the country and that it will be the cause of much injury to our crops. The San Jose scale was brought in some 40 years ago with some Chinese flowering peaches. It now costs America at least $10,000,000 a year for spraying orchards and in reduced output and value of fruit crops.

Citrus canker, introduced with Japanese trifoliate orange stock some 13 years ago, has cost about $2,180,000 of federal and state funds for control work. Orchards and nurseries valued at $11,063,000 were burned to the ground in Florida and other Gulf States in an effort to control the disease.

A few Japanese flowering cherry trees brought in the Oriental fruit worm in 1911. It is now firmly established in half a dozen eastern states and is expected ultimately to spread to all parts of the country, causing a continual annual charge to fruit production of millions of dollars.

From Germany came the pine blister rust in an importation of seedlings of American white pine. The disease now threaten to wipe out our white pine forests. The present stand is valued at $561,750,000 and the destruction has just begun.

One of the most spectacular scourages is the chestnut blight, brought in on a trivial shipment of Oriental chestnut trees. Half of the American stand of chestnuts has succumbed thus far and the prediction is made that by 1940 it will wipe out all trees east of the Mississippi. New York and Pennsylvania suffered total destruction. The disease is now spreading down the Appalachian Mountains as far as North Carolina and Alabama, and westward into West Virgina. The present stand of chestnuts is 19 1-3 billion board feet, valued at $88,000,000.

The well-known boll weevil is now here to stay. Its annual board bill is estimated at $200,000,000, with no prospect of a reduction. The other great enemy of cotton, the pink bollworm, was introduced from Mexico in 1916. Thus far congress has appropriated about $2,500,000 for control work. Fifteen years ago, the insect appeared in Egypt. From there it has spread to every cotton-producing country in the world.

Another imported pest is the potato wart, now restricted to parts of Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia. Wherever it appears, though, it causes total loss. The alfalfa weevil is also a foreign lodger brought in with soil about the roots of imported plants. It is now largely reducing the output of alfalfa in half a dozen states in the middle west. A very unnecessary shipment from Holland of blue spruce, a native American tree, established the gyspy moth widely in New Jersey. The brown-tail moth came in roses probably from Holland or France.

There are a few of the many undesirable immigrants that the American farmer must board and lodge forever. What the United States wants to do now, if it can, is shut the doors to their brothers and their sisters and their cousins and their aunts.

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TO ENCOURAGE BRITISH GOODS

(Toronto Globe.)

Mr. Fielding is endeavoring by still further reducing the duty on imports from Britain to induce British manufacturers to produce the kind of things we in Canada want. Take tools as an example. Mr. Fielding has reduced the duty on all sorts of hand tools to 15 per cent. when imported from Britain, as compared with 30 per cent. when imported from the United States. If the British toolmaker really wants to compete, the way is wide open. He now has the advantage of entry into the Canadian market at half the rate of duty levied against the products of his American competitor.

The British preference has been materially increased on many other articles that bulk heavily in our imports. The duty on wrought or seamless iron or steel tubing not over ten inches in diameter is now 15 per centt. from Britain and 30 per cent. from the United States. In the eleven months of the fiscal year 1922 to February 28 we imported only $4,034 of this piping, largely used in plumbing, from Britain, and to the value of $392,794 from the United States. The business should be worth the consideration of British makers of tubing now that a 50 per cent preference has been given.

Perhaps the most promising field for the British manufacturer is that of cotton textiles. Our imports of cotton prints during the eleven months of the fiscal year ending February 28 were valued at $1,054,047 from Britain and $1,391,400 from the United States. The tariff was 25 per cent. on goods from Britain and 32½ on goods from the United States. Now the rate from Britain is 22½, while that on goods from the United States is still 32½. In grey cottons, of which our own Canadian mills make most of our requirements, the imports from Britain and the United States totalled about $503,000 each in the eleven months under review, the duty being 15 per cent. against British grey cotton and 25 against American. Now the British manufacturer can send in grey cottons by paying 12½ per cent. duty, exactly half that levied upon similar goods from the United States. In the making of cotton blankets the British and American manufacturers have been dividing fairly equally a business of about $600,000 yearly on a duty of 25 and 35 per cent., respectively. Now the rate will be 22½ and 35. This should give the British makers the bulk of the business.

In knitted good, with duties on British goods of 20 per cent. and on American 35 per cent.; rubber clothing, 20 and 35; boots and shoes, 17½ and 30; collars and cuffs, 20 and 37½; book papers, not coated, for the use of publishers, 12½ and 25; flannels, 20 and 35, and cocoa and chocolate preparations, which pay a specific duty of 1½ cents per pound and 20 and 35 per cent., respectively on British and American products, the preference is now so substantial that the British manufacturer should be able to secure the lion's share of the business, leaving for the eagle rather meagre pickings. But that, as Mr. Fielding points out in his urbane way, is the eagle's own affair.

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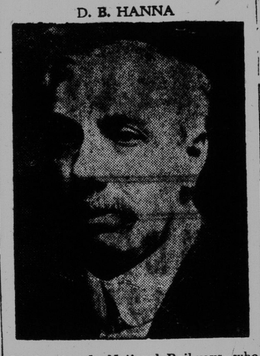

Of the Canada National Railways, who reiterates that the National Railways will prosper if politics are kept outside.

HIT 35-FOOT SHARK.

Another Strange Tale of the Sea From South America.

New York, May 31—The United States Shipping Board vessel American Legion, operated by the Munson Line, arrived Monday from South American ports with a strange tale of the sea.

About two o'clock on the morning of May 21, while the ship was near the Equator, the men on duty were startled to feel a jolt as though the ship had struck something. Nothing was visible at the bow and the ship seemed to ride easily. Later it was seen that the vessel's speed was somewhat diminished and wonderment grew.

When morning dawned one of the officers looked over the rail close up to the bow and made out what seemed to be the carcass of a huge fish. The ship was stopped and it was found that the bow had struck a thirty-five-foot shark, whose mutilated carcass, half cut in two, still clung to the ship. It was only after considerable reversing and churning ahead that it was dislodged, and vessel continued.

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