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OUR TRADE, INDEED.

For downright cheek, commend us to our esteemed contemporary, the Southern Textile Review. In a recent issue, under the heading "After Our Trade," it says: "Mr. George Anderson, of Toronto, who a few years ago visited Japan in the interests of trade between Canada and that country, has been appointed by the Dominion Government as commissioner to Yukon to make special enquiry into the trade of that district

with a view if possible of diverting the business now so largely in the hands of the Americans into Canadian channels. Mr. Anderson will be absent two months. Dr. Wickett has recently been appointed a commissioner to the Yukon by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association for investigating the possibilities of Canadian trade there."

Our trade, indeed! What prescriptive right have our cousins across the line to the trade of the Yukon, which is a part of Canada? It is true when the gold excitement commenced a considerable part of the outfitting and supplies for the miners were obtained from Tacoma, Seattle, San Francisco and other places in the United States, but Canadian manufacturers and traders were soon aroused to the importance of that market, and took steps to secure a share of the trade which legitimately belongs to Canada. Some of it still goes to the United States. Mr. Anderson and Dr. Wickett have both returned, and we are pleased to learn that their visit will result in turning more and more of the trade of the Yukon into Canadian channels. If the manufacturers of woollen and other goods necessary for that Arctic climate will bestir themselves, there is no doubt they can find a largely increased market there. A large part of the trade in ready-made clothing, for instance, is still done with the States. Thus our people can secure without feeling that they are robbing anyone of what belongs to them, despite the claim of the Review. The people of the United States shut us out of their market as far as possible by their high tariff. They have no right, however, to claim the trade of the Yukon as belonging to them, and we trust they will get less and less of it as the country fills up.

—The authors of the anti-shoddy bill, recently introduced into the United States Congress, discovered that the bill in its original shape was unconstitutional, and they withdrew it and introduced another. The new bill seeks to impose an internal revenue tax of \$50 a year on manufactures of "woollen goods which are not composed of pure wool," and wholesale dealers in such goods are to pay a tax of \$25 a year, and in addition to the manufacturers' tax, one-tenth of a cent a