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NATIVE INDUSTRY AND THE TARIFF.

There is undoubtedly a great deal in a name. What can be more patriotic than the cry of "protection to native industry?" What more inspiring as a political watchword than the proclamation of a "national policy?" What more agreeable to the ears of the tax payers than to tickle them with the patent fallacy that by the tariff impost the foreign manufacturer is compelled to pay the taxes? "Native industry," by which we must understand the

gentlemen who have their capital employed in several branches of manufacture, is now busily engaged in trying to induce the Finance Minister to raise the import duty on manufactured goods, on the patriotic plea that the Canadian market should be preserved to the Canadian manufacturer. Were the same rule applied to those products of Canada which are in excess of her own requirements, and which consequently become articles of export, its absurdity would speedily be made apparent. Yet

there is no more reason for excluding foreign goods from the Canadian markets, than there is for prohibiting Canadian produce from competing in foreign markets. How long would the farmer and the lumberman be satisfied to be limited to the Canadian market for the sale of the fruits of their industry? And the manufacturer, who seeks by an advance from 15 to 20 per cent. to add five per cent. to his own profits at the expense of his customers, would, if successful, render the Canadian seller



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