

Toronto Asked Them for the Sum of \$50,000

FOR THAT DOMINION FAIR

But Mr. Fielding Gave the Deputation a Rather Icy Reply.

The Local Committee of the British Association Also Asked for \$3000 Extra—Then Came the Manufacturers of Toronto, Nearly All of Whom Wanted the Same Protection Given to Them by the Conservative Government—Details of the Interviews Except One, Which Was in Secret.

When the tariff investigation was resumed at the Board of Trade yesterday only Hon. Messrs Fielding and Patterson were present. Sir Oliver Snowdon has dropped out altogether, and Sir Richard Cartwright has been obliged to return to Ottawa on departmental business. During the morning session Hon. G. W. Ross dropped in and had a friendly talk with the Minister of Finance.

The first two delegations to claim the Minister's attention were not tariff deputations, as they consisted of representatives to the British Association and the Industrial Exhibition. The most important immediate matter of the day's work was Mr. Fielding's promise that the Government would favor a deputation to consider and shortly come to a decision regarding the respective money grants asked by the two organizations.

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION. The first deputation, consisting of gentlemen who are arranging for the holding of the next meeting of the British Association in Toronto next summer, included: Messrs. B. E. Walker, Prof. Macaulay, Chancellor Burwash, President, London, Mayor Fleming, E. B. Oser, M. P., Geo. H. Bertram, Edward Currier, J. Short, Mr. Master, Jas. Bain, H. P. Dwight, Provost, The Hon. G. W. Oakes, Hon. G. W. Allan, E. F. Clarke, M. P., A. E. Hunter, Mr. Wm. Christie and W. B. Hamilton.

\$5000 EXTRA ASKED. Mr. E. B. Walker, acting as spokesman, asked that the Dominion Government increase by \$5000 the grant of \$10,000 promised by ex-Finance Minister Foster towards defraying the expenses of the British Association meeting here next year. If the Ministers would thus grant \$15,000 there would be \$7,500 at the disposal of the committee, the city of Toronto had donated \$5000, and the Ontario Government \$7500.

THE PUBLISHERS' CASE. Messrs. Daniel Rose, James Murray, W. H. Apple, James Dudley, Dal. A. Ross and A. F. Rutter, representing the employing printers, bookbinders and allied trades, came next. The deputation called attention to the fact that through the operation of the American Copyright Act the business of printing and the manufacture of books had largely been transferred to the United States, and pointed out that such would continue to be the case until there came into operation a copyright act on the lines suggested and agreed upon between the British authors and the Canadian Copyright Association.

THEIR STATEMENT. Mr. Daniel Rose, on behalf of the deputation, presented Mr. Fielding with a list of plates for books free had been a great advantage to the trade. It has increased the consumption of paper, and given extra employment to the pressmen and bookbinders. We are strongly of the opinion that plates remained on the dutiable list, would not have come to Canada.

Books.—We are of the opinion that a change should be made in the tariff on books, so as to promote the bookbinding industry, and would suggest that unbound books be continued at six cents per pound, and the rate on bound books be increased from six to eight cents per pound, and that hymnal and prayer-books be taken from the free list and added to the dutiable list. Such changes will not affect the price to the consumer.

Subscription Books, bound or in sheets.—This is a most important item to the trade. The United States copyright law affects the item, as under that law if copyright is desired in the United States, the type for the book must be set there. The effect of this is that all the subscription books used in Canada are now being imported (except those on local sub.scripts), it being cheaper to pay the present duty of six cents per pound than to ship a duplicate set of plates, but with an increased duty on the book, a large percentage of these books would be made here, and the price to the public would not be affected, while employment would be given to paper-makers, printers and bookbinders. The present duty of six cents per pound, and we would suggest that it be increased to ten cents per pound.

Paper.—The duty on marble papers, coated and enamelled cover papers, fancy papers, crinkled tissue, together with card-board, also leather, sky-togen, imitation cloth or leather, is at present 35 per cent., all of these, we think, should be reduced to 25 per cent.

Straw Board.—This article is not made in Canada, suitable for bookbinders' purposes; a quality of this straw board is manufactured here, which is used for the manufacture of egg cases, etc. The firms in the United States, from which the largest portion of the bookbinders' supply is drawn, have entered into a Trust, so that there is practically only one place to buy at in America, and we understand that the patent rights that will prevent the Canadian manufacturers from competing in the market were granted. Present duty, 25 per cent. Suggested change, 10 per cent.

WIRE.—This article is not made in Canada suitable for bookbinders' purposes. The wire imported by the manufacturers of books and sheets for use on their sewing machines is free. Present duty, 25 per cent. We would suggest that when imported for bookbinders' use, it be free.

Duck, suitable for covering blank books, and very largely used, is not manufactured in Canada. The kind of duck or canvas now manufactured in this country, tents, awnings, etc., will not answer our purposes. Present duty, 80 per cent., and when imported for making hosts free. Suggested change, when imported for bookbinders' use, 10 per cent.

Leather.—A very important item, which enters largely into the cost of producing a book, and especially those of a higher grade, should be placed on the same basis as the privilege now accorded the glove manufacturers. Present duty, 25 per cent. Suggested change, 10 per cent.

Type, present duty, 20 per cent.; galley, present duty, 30 per cent.; type stands, present duty, 25 per cent.; type cases, present duty, 25 per cent.; brass furniture, present duty, 25 per cent.; metal furniture, present duty, 25 per cent.; printers' blocks and quoins, present duty, 25 per cent. We would suggest a reduction on all these items to 10 per cent.

Advertising pamphlets, etc., are now six cents per pound and 20 per cent. We would suggest a change to bring them into the same class as advertising matter, etc., viz., 15 cents per pound, 25 per cent.

TO KEEP OUT U. S. PRODUCTS. Mr. G. W. Noyes, waited upon the Ministers on behalf of the Ontario Community Manufacturers at Niagara Falls, N.Y., Niagara Falls, Ont., and other places of animal traps, chains, saddles and harness specialties, covering silk, canned goods, silver-plated ware, etc. He asked that the present duty on traps and chains be maintained. If it were lowered, he said, the Canadian factory would close, and the mould be supplied with the company's American product.

When the commission returned in the afternoon there was quite a large number of gentlemen in waiting, anxious for an interview. The first to be attended to were Messrs. John Smith of Smith Woolstock Company, the Woolstock Company. They asked that the present duty of 25 per cent. on shoddy be maintained. They gave a resume of how wonderfully their industry had thrived in this country, and if the tariff was taken off the cheaper goods from Yorkshire would come in and seriously affect the business.

Mr. John Dwyer of the Calvert-Dwyer Co. asked to have ramonilla, vegetable fibre, used for the same purpose as fibre, placed upon the free list.

THE FRUIT MEN. The fruit and commission men were represented by J. P. Clenes of Clenes Bros., Mr. Dawson of Dawson Bros., C. O. Husband of Husband Bros. & Co., and Joseph McWilliams of McWilliams & Everett. They wished to see a specific duty on most lines of fruit instead of ad valorem. For instance, on pears the duty now 30 per cent. The deputation favored a specific duty of 40 cents a barrel. On apples, now 40 cents a barrel, they would like to see changed to 50 cents a barrel. On tomatoes, now 20 cents per bushel and 10 per cent, they would like to see a straight specific duty of 25 per cent. Cranberries, now 25 per cent., they would like to see changed to 30 per cent. They named other lines in which similar changes were desirable. On bananas they wanted the duty removed altogether and they also wanted all fruit and oyster packages to come in free.

PICTURE FRAMES. The picture frame and mouldings men were represented by Messrs. W. L. Matthews, William Phillips, F. Phillips, George Woltz and W. Adamson. They pointed out that metal lined and silver lined mouldings, and other lines of their raw material and that the duty on it at present 35 per cent. They would like a reduction. They had been greatly affected by the last year's increase in the tariff on picture frames and mouldings. The duty is now, frames 30 per cent, mouldings 35 per cent. It was formerly frames 25 per cent, and mouldings 30 per cent. The deputation would like it to be put back where it was formerly, and higher in Chicago and other American cities have such a large market that they can centralize their time and attention in one branch and can sell very cheaply in large quantities. They get their labor cheaper in the States, as a lot of children are employed at the business there. And, besides, the Americans sell 20 per cent cheaper in Canada in order to allow for the duty.

MILL MACHINERY. Mr. J. G. Greay represented Messrs. W. & A. G. Greay, manufacturers of mill machinery. He stated to the commissioners that the present duty on four mill machinery is sufficient to enable his firm to keep their market, but he wished particularly to call attention to the duty on chilled iron rolls. These were used extensively throughout the country. The duty on Chicago and other American cities have such a large market that they can centralize their time and attention in one branch and can sell very cheaply in large quantities. They get their labor cheaper in the States, as a lot of children are employed at the business there. And, besides, the Americans sell 20 per cent cheaper in Canada in order to allow for the duty.

An Improved Radiator. A test was made at Polons's Engine Works yesterday afternoon of a radiator recently invented by J. T. Jackson of Toronto and Sam Jackson of St. Catharines. The radiator was of the steam or hot water type, and was of the type of radiator loop, which are bind ends, and which, consequently, permit of free circulation of steam, and prevent the difficulty of getting the air in these radiators. The radiator was of the type of radiator loop, which are bind ends, and which, consequently, permit of free circulation of steam, and prevent the difficulty of getting the air in these radiators.

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Don't Stand Still! This is the season of the year when everybody spends money. Some people open their hearts but once a year—at Christmas-tide. If you have holiday goods to sell let the people who want to buy know all about it. The chief reason customers pass your doors is that you have been standing still. Get into the swim. Show what you have. The easiest mode of doing this is to talk to the public through the columns of THE TORONTO WORLD, which goes everywhere.

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