

MILITIA OF CANADA.—In Lower Canada, in 1833, the return was as follows:—88 battalions, 1,040 companies, 94,377 militia-men, from 18 to 59 years of age, and 80,004 muskets.

In Upper Canada, the following have been the returns of the sedentary Militia:—For the year 1837, 76 regiments, 43,227 men; 1838, 107 regiments, 60,807 men; 1839, 112 regiments, 66,120 men; 1840, 113 regiments, 72,475 men; showing, on the 4th June, 1840, an increased organization of 37 regiments of sedentary Militia, and 29,248 men, since December, 1837, notwithstanding the decrease occasioned by the effect of the Militia Act passed in May, 1839, which directed that the Militia of Upper Canada should be composed of men from the ages of 18 to 60, instead of from 16 to 60.

DUTIES ON IMPORTATION INTO GREAT BRITAIN.—To encourage the importation of articles of food from the Colonies into Great Britain, the Imperial Parliament has made a difference in the duties payable by the Colonies, compared with duties payable by Foreign countries. By giving Colonial produce the advantage in importation, a traffic is encouraged, which, says the Montreal Board of Trade, "promises to be of very considerable advantage" to Canada. The following are the duties payable on the principal articles:—

	From Foreign Countries		From the Colonies.		In favour of Colonial.	
	per cwt.	per bbl.	per cwt.	per bbl.	per cwt.	per bbl.
Beef, salted,	8s 0d	14s 3½d	2s 0d	3s 6½d	6s 0d	10s 8½d
Pork, salted,	8s 0d	14s 3½d	2s 0d	3s 6½d	6s 0d	10s 8½d
Bacon,	14s 0d		3s 6d		10s 6d	
Hams,	14s 0d		3s 6d		10s 6d	
Tongues,	10s 0d		2s 6d		7s 6d	
Lard,	2s 0d		0s 6d		1s 6d	
Butter,	20s 0d		5s 0d		15s 0d	
Cheese.	10s 6d		2s 6d		7s 6d	

The Act 3 Vict., cap. 17, levies an additional charge of 5 per cent on the above duties.

Also, to encourage the Canadian traffic in Wheat and Flour with England, the duty on importation has been fixed, and made almost nominal. The following are the terms of the Act:—"Whereas, on the 12th October, 1842, an Act was passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, and reserved by the Governor-General for the signification of her Majesty's pleasure, imposing a duty of *three shillings sterling money* of Great Britain on *each Imperial Quarter* of Wheat imported into Canada, (except from the United Kingdom or any of her Majesty's Possessions,) and being the growth and produce thereof: Be it therefore enacted, that from and after the 10th October, 1843, and thenceforth during the continuance of the duty so imposed by the said Act of the Legislature of Canada as aforesaid, there shall be levied and paid upon all Wheat and Wheat Flour, the produce of the said Province of Canada, which shall be imported thence into the United Kingdom, the Duties following, namely, for every Quarter of such Wheat, *one shilling*, and so in proportion for a less quantity. For every Barrel, being 196 lbs. of such Wheat Flour, a duty equal in amount to the duty which would hereby be payable upon 38½ gallons of Wheat, and so in proportion for a less quantity."

CANADA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.—This Society is for encouraging Sunday School exertions in the Province, and keeps on hand a supply of Sunday School Books, but holds no supervision over any school, further than that a Report from such school is required annually. Mr. J. C. Becket, Recording Sec'y; Mr. J. Milne, Depositary, McGill St., Montreal.

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