

The Question of Export Duties

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NICKEL and COPPER MATTES.

SIR,—

I am in receipt of an anonymous pamphlet which bears upon its title page this inscription : the Nickel Question.

SHALL NICKEL MATTE BE SUBJECTED TO AN EXPORT DUTY ?

If the "image" were added to the inscription, nearly every Member of Parliament, to whom I understand the pamphlet has been sent, would, at sight, be able to give it its name. Like all other communications emanating from the same source and in the interests of the same people, its statements, arguments, logic and conclusions are either altogether untrue or wholly misleading.

They are of necessity untrue in order to furnish any basis of operation, and they are intentionally misleading because the object sought could not be secured if the facts were presented. It is probably belittling anyone to notice anonymous communications when the author of such communications dare not make known his identity or the conditions under which he seeks to deceive the Government.

Prior to the advent of the Canadian Copper Company, the whole of Europe, as a market for nickel, belonged to the New Caledonia Mines.