

3rd. Although the export trade in manufactured articles has not yet been developed to any extent, your Committee have ascertained that in some classes of goods already a successful attempt has been made to place them upon foreign markets.

The encouragement of this trade as tending to enlarge the markets for our manufactures, and thus to promote their prosperity, and at the same time to increase our foreign commerce, should be effected by all legitimate means.

Your Committee recommend that, to accomplish this object, a draw-back should be granted on all materials used in manufactures made for export.

4th. The attention of your Committee has been called to the condition of certain classes of manufacturers who pay, under the existing tariff, the same amount of duty upon what to them is raw material as is paid on the manufactured article. They mention in this connection the manufactures of clothing and haberdashery.

5th. Your Committee would call the special attention of your Honorable House to the importance of such legislation as will develop the iron mines.

Two letters have been received in connection with this subject; one from Mr. Edward Gurney, of Hamilton, and the other from Mr. Charles Fitzgerald, of Ottawa, which are appended to this report, and which the Committee commend to the special consideration of the House.

6th. The woollen manufacturers complain that they suffer in their business by the importation from Europe of low-priced woollen cloths, made principally from Shoddy, and ask the Committee to recommend to the Government a scale of duties graduated upon the quality of the article.

7th. Your Committee have also taken evidence touching the introduction into Canada of American reprints of British copyright works. Your Committee call attention to the fact, that whilst the privilege of publishing the aforesaid reprints in Canada is granted to the publishers of the United States, it is denied under severe penalties to the publishers of Canada. Your Committee regard this state of things as calling for an early remedy.

8th. Your Committee believe that permanency is an important element in any tariff, and that it should be so adjusted as to afford adequate protection to existing industries, and to invite the attention of capitalists to branches of industry which as yet have not been successful in this country, and which are yet untried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. T. Wood,
Chairman.

Committee Room, No. 39,
May 19th, 1874.

(EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF COMMITTEE.)

Amendment by Mr. Dymond, seconded by Mr. Walker,—

That the following be the Report to be submitted to the House of Commons:—

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report to your Honorable House on the extent and condition of the Manufacturing Interests of the Dominion, with power to send for persons, papers and records, respectfully submit the following:—

1, Your Committee have examined replies in answer to questions addressed by a former Committee to persons engaged in Manufacturing Industries, and submit a synopsis of those replies, with other evidence taken, as an Appendix to their Report.

2. The persons replying to the before-mentioned interrogatories form but a very small proportion of the whole number to whom the questions were addressed, and your Committee are of opinion that the answers must be regarded rather as implying a desire on the part of certain manufacturers for increased protection, than as an indication that such protection is necessary in the public interest.

3. Your Committee have further examined orally nineteen witnesses, all of them