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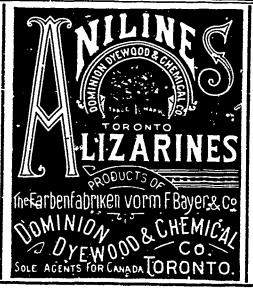
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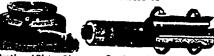
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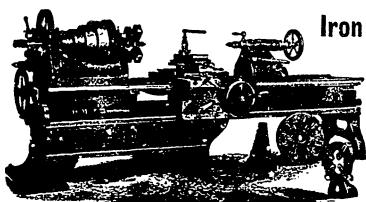
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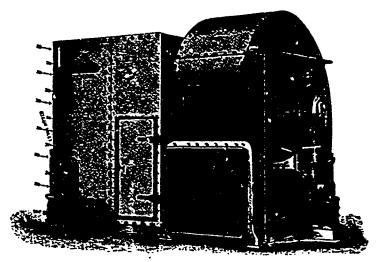
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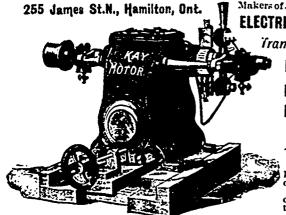
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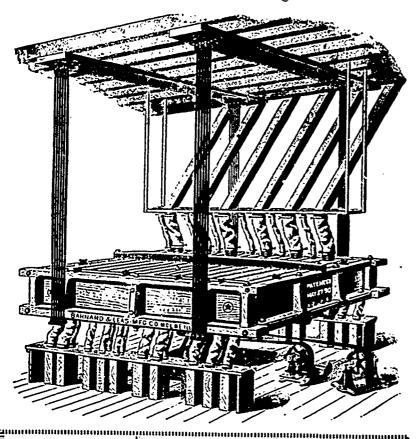
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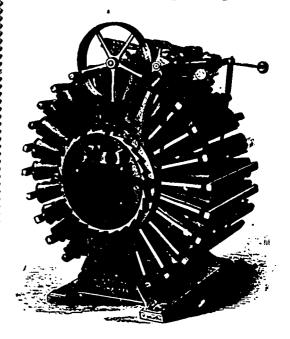
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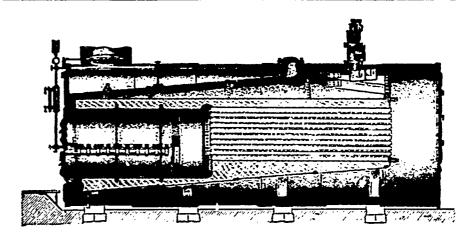


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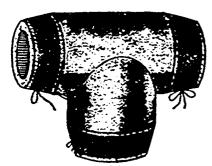
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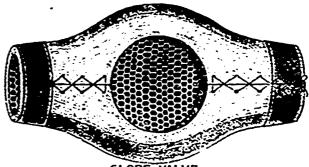
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## COLONIAL DEMAND FOR BRITISH MERCHANDISE.

In the report given in our last number of the Statement furnished by the delegates at the recent Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, the following table was furnished as indicating the importance of the Canadian demand for British goods:

	Exports 1833	To Foreign Countries	To British Countries.
Total	Cotton Manufactures £	31,094,330	£23,605,037
44	Glass "	350,383	415,557
44	Iron and Steel . "	10,210,499	6,113,413
44	Leather "	506,227	1.513.128
44	Linen - " "	4.010,178	764,962
44	Machinery, etc. "	10,136,080	3,781,463
44	Silk "	866,684	648,119
44	Woollens and Worsteds	12,047,033	4,357,002
44	Manufactured Exports	£94,922,148	£4,357,002
44	partially Manufactured Exports	£25,997,779	£4,190,784

It will be seen at once from a perusal of the above figures that there has been a typographical error in the total of manufactured exports sent to British Countries, which should be given as £61,376,134. The difference is an important one as the total of the manufactured exports and the partially manufactured exports to foreign countries will amount to £120,000,000 and those to the colonies to £65,000,000, thus proving that the colonies and dependencies of England actually take at the present time one-half of her total industrial export. To Great Britain this is a very important fact in connection with the question af preferential trade, and we are glad that Mr. Castell Hopkins has drawn our attention to the mistake and thus enabled us to bring out still more clearly the importance of colonial trade with the mother country. It was this side of the question which the delegates wished to present to the Tariff Commission when recently in The Canadian side and the Canadian benefits under a preferential arrangement are so freely admitted that they very properly considered it unnecessary to deal with that But the Liberal leaders have always declared themselves extremely sceptical of the possibility of such a policy being adopted by Great Britain, and have often declared that it would not be in the interests of the motherland to do so. Hence the great importance of these figures.

## RECIPROCITY OR PREFERENTIAL TRADE—WHICH!

At no time since Canada undertook the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway, have there been such or so many pressing demands upon Parliament as at present for the prosecution of important public works designed to promote the development of our resources, and to increase our internal and foreign commerce. Among other projects may be mentioned the earliest possible completion of the St. Lawrence canal system; the improvement of the channel between Montreal and Quebee; the fast Atlantic steamship service; ocean cables; cold storage; extension of the Intercolonial Railway; a railway through Crow's Nest Pass; a bridge across the St. Lawrence at Quebec; together with demands for Government aid for local railways, for enlargement and improvement of the Victoria bridge at Montreal, for development of our mineral resources, etc. With respect to many of these enterprises, it is obvious that their importance or necessity must largely depend upon the decision arrived at with respect to the direction in which our trade policy may be framed, whether towards the United States through a measure of reciprocity, or towards Great Britain under a policy of preferential trade. Even if it should prove impracticable to accomplish either of these policies, it will be incumbent on Parliament to consider well the present tendency of our commerce, and its probable

future tendency, and having arrived at a good understanding on this point, estimate the recessity and value of our projects accordingly. It is generally believed that there is a larger and more influential representation of our commercial interests in the present House of Commons than there has been for many years. It is to be hoped that their experience and business ability may over-rule the efforts of machine politicians, who are more anxious to adopt the popular views of trade policy than to investigate and impartially decide in favor of such measures as may be shown to be most conducive to the best interests of the country. There is considerable danger to be apprehended from the fact that in the discussion and consideration of the above two policies, some members of the Government and many members of the House will find themselves strongly biassed by their former speeches and pledges in favor of reciprocity with the United States, which they have so frequently represented as absolutely necessary to the progress and prosperity of the Dominion. It is universally admitted that the period embraced under the old reciprocity was one of wonderful prosperity in Canada. It has been much easier to persuade the people, especially the farming community, that reciprocity now would produce a similar state of prosperity, than it has been to show that the conditions existing in the two countries at the present time are so different from those of forty years ago, that a policy which was then so beneficial might now prove actually injurious. It is hardly worth while to go into any discussion as to the proportions in which the prosperity of Canada during the term of the old reciprocity treaty was attributable to the co-terminous events-the Russian war; Grand Trunk and other railway construction; the war of secession, etc.-but admitting that a large measure of the success was due to reciprocity, the main consideration is, whether under existing conditions, a like result should now be anticipated from a similar policy. The figures showing the increase of the commerce between Canada and the United States from 1854 to 1866 are apt to prove very misleading, as that commerce consisted largely of exports through United States channels to the Maritime Provinces and to Great Britain and other countries; also of imports from Europe, the West Indies, China, etc.; the buik of the export and import trade of Upper Canada being then transported over American routes.

This leads to the consideration of a very important change in the conditions as to transportation now and then. During the old reciprocity treaty, the channel of navigation through the lower St. Lawrence was so defective, the harbor accommodation at Montreal so insufficient, the Gulf navigation so full of risk, and the St. Lawrence canals of such small capacity, that rates of inland and ocean transportation and insurance, via the St. Lawrence route, were so high that the longer route via the Oswego and Eric canals and New York to Europe, was actually cheaper. As this is an important point in the way of comparison, the following figures are given, showing the rates of freight by canal from Buffalo and Oswego to New York for the following years; the figures being the average for the different seasons, per bushel of wheat:

	Buffalo Lo New York.	Oswero to New York. Cents.		
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1857	15.3 9	10.6 9		
1858		7.4 5		
1859		10.7 2		
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	Huffalo to New York. Cents.	Oswego to New York. Cents.
1861	15.7 5	11.1 1
1862	15.8 4	11.05
1863	15.3 9	10.89
1864		13.09
1865	16.8 4	12.3 1
Average	15.3 6	10.90

During all these years, and up to 1870, New York State was obtaining a large direct revenue from canal tolls on all merchandise, equal to about three cents per bushel on wheat, and a much higher rate on general merchandise. Now, the Canadian water route, via Welland and St. Lawrence canals to Europe is so much improved, that a far greater value and bulk of United States produce is now moving through Canadian channels than there ever passed of Canadian produce through the United States routes. In two more years the whole of our canal system will be complete, and a still greater superiority and cheapness over American routes attained. In this respect there is no analogy between existing conditions and those of forty years ago.

Equally striking are the changes in the conditions of the two countries with respect to the great staple of wheat. During the existence of the old reciprocity treaty, the cities of the Eastern states were largely dependent upon Canada for the supply of wheat and flour, especially white winter wheat of the superior quality which was then produced here. At the beginning of the treaty term, during the year ending August 31st, 1855, the total exports of the United States to Europe, in wheat and flour, were:-182,972 barrels of flour, and 329,399 bushels of wheat. Is it any wonder that all the eastern cities favored free trade in wheat and flour? In the last year of the treaty, ending August 31st, 1866, the exports of wheat and flour from the United States to Europe were :-151,853 barrels of flour, and 1,589,321 bushels of wheat. During the year ending June 30th, 1866, Canada exported to the United States 855,558 barrels of flour, and 2,339,588 bushels of wheat. Under these conditions, the United States market was of much value and importance to Canada. How is it now? During the year ending June 30th, 1895, the United States exported. 15,268,892 barrels of flour, and 76,-102,704 bushels of wheat, and during the year ending June 30th, 1896, 14,620,854 barrels of flour, and 60,650,080 bushels of wheat. Under such conditions, is it not a piece of mischievous imposture to attempt to delude farmers with the idea that reciprocity could possibly furnish them with a profitable market for their wheat in the United States? Is it not clear that if at any time the Canadian market should be higher than in the United States it would at once be flooded, if under free trade, with part of the enormous surplus of the western states.

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This journal proposes to discuss some other features of reciprocity in next issue.

### THE CONTINENT TO WHICH WE BELONG.

The Toronto Globe gets up a Christmas re-hash of the continent to which we belong business as follows:

A large part of the prosperity which the United States, with some unfavorable intervals, has enjoyed results not from protection but from the free trade which exists among the various parts of the Union. Using the protectionist argument, says the Boston Herald, there is no reason why a barrier should not be raised where Massachusetts abuts upon

New York for the purpose of having a duty imposed upon, say, every basket of grapes that is sent from the other side of the Hudson into Massachusetts. On their side, the New Yorkers should impose a tax upon the fish, salt or fresh, that is sent from Gloucester and Boston to Albany and other interior cities. At present people of the Bay State are obtaining a luscious and beautiful fruit at an extraordinarily low price, in place of the poor fruit which, for climatic reasons, would be the result of our own raising, while the people of New York State obtain at relatively low prices fresh and salt sea fish as a welcome change from their accustomed diet. The Herald says that the Canadian market is naturally just as accessible to the citizen of Massachusetts as the New York market; the Massachusetts market is naturally just as accessible to the Canadian producer as it is to the New York producer, and it believes that the sooner trade between the Dominion and the Republic can-flow back and forth as freely as it does between the States the better it will be for all the people upon the American continent.

For reasons good and sufficient unto themselves the British colonies that are now comprised in the United States, after achieving independence from the Mother Country, attempted to maintain an inter-independence among themselves to the extent of attempting to obtain revenues for carrying on their several governments by imposing import duties upon merchandise brought into their several territories from the others. There were no political ties that bound them to Great Britain, and the ties that bound them together were weak and intangible, and promised no substantial good; nor could they see how they were to reap the full benefit of their political independence under what was only a confederation of weak, and to a certain extent, helpless states. In fact they were in much the same condition that we now observe in some of the Central and South American republics. Their strength came to them, and their importance became a strong factor in the affairs of the world, when their confederation was merged into a union, and when the individual states for the sake of establishing their nationality, surrendered to a central or general government all of their previous rights that conflicted or might conflict with the power of the general government to maintain itself as a unit in the family of nations. This surrender of state rights was to the extent only of making every state as free as every other state, and the rights and privileges granted by any state to its citizens equally free to the citizens of all the other states. There could be no barriers raised between states nor the citizens of the different states; and the only power to impose import duties upon foreign merchandise reposed in the general government.

How foolish, then, for the Boston Herald, to suggest that, using the protectionist argument, or any other argument, there is no reason why a tariff barrier should not be raised where Massachusetts abuts upon New York. How foolish, too, for that respectable journal, and for the Toronto Globe, to suggest that, there being a law forbidding the levying of interstate tariff duties within the United States, it would be equally wrong to maintain a tariff barrier in Canada against the United States, and in the United States against Canada. The situations are entirely dissimilar.

It should not be supposed that because in the last century Massachusetts and New York and the rest of the thirteen colonies found it to their interest to east their lots together, Canada should be forced to join her political fortunes with them. The barriers that have always existed between them and us are the price of our separate nationalities, and unless these

distinct nationalities are to be abandoned, the one swallowing and absorbing the other, the barriers must remain. The German market is naturally just as accessible to the citizens of France, and the French market naturally just as accessible to the Germans, as is the Canadian market to the citizens of New York and New England; and the American market to the citizens of Canada, but The Globe surely would not argue that the trade between Germany and France can be brought to flow back and forth between those countries as freely as it does between the different states of the American union, or that it would be better for all the people upon the European continent that such a condition should prevail.

### AD VALOREM AND SPECIFIC DUTIES.

The iron men are not alone in their protest against the faulty classification of the present tariff. The dry goods dealers on Wednesday presented a strong case for the simplification 'the schedules affecting the articles in which they are intereded. The uniformity of the demand for simplification is a striking testimony to the incapacity of the framers of the present tariff. Let us hope that the present Government will be able to enact a tariff which, at least, its own friends may defend.—Montreal Herald.

The protestant alluded to by The Herald against the faulty classification of the present tariff are not manufacturers, but importers of iron and dry goods, their desire being, chiefly, that all specific duties in the tariff be abandoned. This is the old, old cry. These importers cannot be happy unless they make unusual profits which would be impossible with specific or even compound duties. We commend to them a careful reading of the following views of the New York Dry Goods Economist which most forcily express its opposition to ad valorem duties. It says:—

No stronger arraignment of the ad valorem method of levying customs dues can be found than the statement contained in the annual report of the Board of United States General Appraisers, extracts from which will be found on another page. The report shows an increase in the number of reappraisements for the year ending September 30, 1895, of no less than 5,101 compared with those of the twelve months ending October 31, 1891, which almost fourfold increase is described by the Board as chiefly due to the enlargement of the scope of ad valorem rates of duty by the existing tariff law. The only other reason assigned for the increase—the better diligence and efficiency of appraising officers, to which the Board says the increase is in some measure due—may be put aside as complimentary and the Board's statement may be fairly read as attributing the increase wholly to the greater scope of ad valorem duties.

The loss of time and annoyance caused to merchants by these 7,000 reappraisements it is impossible to estimate, nor can any one calculate the loss in actual dollars and cents arising from delay in passing upon the cases and the consequent inability of the importer to dispose of his goods. And yet, in spite of all this, no actual security is given to the domestic manufacturer against unfair competition resulting from undervaluation—if 7,000 cases, why not 7,5001 Who can tell how many entries have been passed with an erroneous appraisement?

Ad valorem duties have had a thorough trial during the past two years and have been found fatally wanting. They offer a premium to double dealing not only on the part of the importer, but by the domestic manufacturer. The Economist has been informed, for instance, of cases where entries have been advanced not because the goods were undervalued, but as the result of influence exerted by domestic concerns. With unfair methods of this kind the appraiser cannot escape complicity.

A series of specific duties, for which The Economist has long contended, is the only one to which men who are practical as well as honest can subscribe.

### WAR SHIPS ON THE GREAT LAKES.

Congressman Burton, of Cleveland, is to take a hand in the effort to overcome the treaty memorandum with Great Britain, which prevents the building of vessels of war on the lakes. He has gone a step further than any of the other representatives who have taken an interest in this subject, as he has introduced a joint resolution requesting the President and Secretary of State "to enter into negotiations with the Government of Great Baitain to secure, if possible, the abrogation of so much of the treaty of 1817, as forlads the building of warships at ship yards located upon the great lakes." By reason of an experience of several terms in Congress, and in view also of his full knowledge of all matter pertaining to the lakes, Mr. Burton can exert considerable influence in directing the attention of Congress and the executive to the importance of this question, and it is to be hoped that all other representatives from lake states will join him in trying to bring about some action at the present session .- Cleveland, O., Marine Review.

No doubt it would be of advantage to American lake cities to have national navy yards, dry docks, arsenals, and building sheds, and to have war vessels built there, but would it be desirable? Suppose that Great Britain should accede to the abrogation of that clause of the treaty of 1817 which forbids the having or maintaining of war vessels on the great lakes, and there was no treaty restriction upon the United States doing as Congressman Burton desires, our neighbors ought to know that the policy of Great Britain would be to always answer the call of a rival and for every keel laid, or gun boat or war ship launched on the American side, and place an equally effective vessel affoat on the adjacent water. Why not let well enough alone? From a British standpoint perhaps it would be well to use the lakes as reservoirs in which to store and keep a liberal portion of the vast number of war vessels that are in commission in the British navy. It might serve to suppress some of the bumptiousness of our neighbors who incline to imagine that all the continent is theirs and the fullness thereof. It might be interesting to them to understand that should they slop over at any time and embroil themselves in a quarrel with Canada or any other British possession, their immense fleets of lake freight carriers and passenger steamers, of which they feel so justly proud, would resemble rats in a trap, to be sent like McGinty to the bottom of the sea, while every American lake city would be forced to pay heavy ransom to be allowed to exist, or else be battered into ruins by British cannon. Congressman Burton and his unwise friends had better proceed slowly in their endeavor to abrogate the treaty.

It is an open question whether the United States has not already abrogated the treaty of 1817, or has fully determined to do so in the construction at Cleveland, of the revenue cutter Gresham, and the proposal to contruct two other such vessels at Cleveland or some other lake port. In a trial trip a few days ago the Gresham attained for a short run a maximum speed of 18.25 knots, equal to 21.01 statute miles per hour. Regarding these American war vessels in the great lakes the Marine Review says:

It is plain now that when these vessels are completed the revenue cutter service will have on the lakes three steamers that will be susceptible of quick and easy conversion into effective fighting ships. It is certainly fitting that the work of improving this service should begin on the lakes, where there is about 6,000 miles of coast line—nearly equal to the whole length of the Atlantic seaboard. The regular armament in

the new vessels, as in Gresham, will consist of one six pound, rapid-fire gun mounted on the forecastle deck; but in case of naval co-operation they are so designed and constructed that each may carry a main battery of six four meh rapid-fire guns and an auxilliary force of eight or ten six-pounder guns. So armed, they would prove valuable dispatch boats, blockaders or effective commerce destroyers; and in these steamers there is to be also, as in the Gresham, a bow torpedo tube, which can readily be fitted with the mechanism for handling and launching torpedoes.

Principal dimensions of the two new cutters are: Length over all, 205 feet 6 inches; length between perpendiculars, 188 feet; breadth of beam, extreme, molded, 32 feet; mean draft, 10 feet 9 inches; normal displacement, tons, 927; maximum indicated horse power, 2,000; speed in knots per hour, 16. The boats will be built of steel throughout, will be rigged as fore-and-aft schooners and will carry a spread of steadying sail only.

Each vessel will have a single screw of manganese bronze, 10 feet in diameter, which will be driven by a vertical directacting triple-expansion engine, having high, intermediate and low-pressure cylinders, respectively of 25, 371 and 561 inches diameter, with a uniform stroke of 30 inches, and a turning speed of 160 revolutions a minute when developing the required indicated horse power of 2,000 and inducing the contract speed of 16 knots. Steam at a working pressure of 160 pounds to the square inch will be supplied in each boat by four Scotch boilers of the return fire-tube type, in diameter 111 feet by 10 feet long. boiler will have two 31 foot Fox corrugated furnaces, and a structural peculiarity of the boilers will be in the use of but two steel plates in their longitudinal construction, by which added strength with a limited number of seams is secured. The boilers will be worked from a common fire room and two large blowers, exhausting directly into the ash pits, will induce forced draught. By this means the pressure under each boiler will be under independent control, admitting of economical service when running at cruising speed.

The normal coal supply will be about 225 tons, promising a radius of action of 2,000 miles at a cruising speed of 10 knots an hour. Steam steering gear, steam windlass and capstan, an electric lightning plant and hydro-pneumatic ejector for ashes are other modern features to be provided in these vessels. There is, of course, ample room in which to provide quarters for a complement of about sixty persons aboard each of the vessels.

### DON'T MONKEY WITH THE BUZZ SAW.

Few of the tariff witnesses desire protection. But most of them demand the simplification of the existing measure. The late Administration framed a tariff which not even the friends of that Administration can defend in detail. It is easy to believe that a measure which is so far out of gear in detail may be radically wrong in principle. After the present Government has straightened out the details it may not find it so hard to convince people of the error in principle.—Montreal Herald.

It is quite remarkable that the editor of The Herald does not read the news columns of his own paper, for if he did he would not have said that but few tariff witnesses desired protection. He had better investigate, and if he does he will discover that at least nine out of every ten persons who have testified before the Tariff Commission requested that there be no change in the policy of the Government regarding protection. Pray begin, dear Herald, at the opening testimony before the Commission at Toronto, follow it closely at Hamilton, Brantford, London, Petrolea, Woodstock, St. Catharines and elsewhere on to the temporary adjournment at Montreal, and you will discover that Canada is not either ready or will-

ing to abandon protection. We quite agree that the existing tariff needs simplification in many respects, and for that simplication many of its friends have long and frequently petitioned. But because the objectionable details were not corrected is no reason why the principle upon which the tariff was formed should be abandoned. And why is it easy to believe that a measure that may be out of gear in some of its details should be, for that reason, radically wrong in principle? This is no argument. If under a certain form of government there should appear objectionable features, surely The Herald would not contend that the form, for that reason, was wrong and should be abandoned. Our respected contemporary will find that when the present Government has straightened out the objectionable details of the tariff it will be entirely disinclined to deviate from the general course mapped out for the management of the fiscal affairs of the country by the founders and supporters of the National Policy. The present Government were not elected to power to destroy the Na. tional Policy, nor will it be destroyed. The people will not allow it to be destroyed. There is no error in the principle involved in the National Policy. There must be no monkeying with the buzz saw.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THE CANADIAN MANUFACTURER wishes health, happiness and prosperity to Canada and all who love Canada.

The first issue of THE CANADIAN MANUFACTURER was on the first Friday of July, 1880, ever since which time it has been issued regularly on the first and third Fridays of every month. It is devoted to the manufacturing industries of Canada and to maintaining the great principle of tariff protection to our manufacturing industries.

Dear Mr. Foster:—You and your political friends had a lead pipe cinch on the Government of Canada, and could have retained it if you had not allowed your attention to be drawn away by the ignis fatuus of remedial legislation. The advocacy of that chimera exploded you. Now let that matter rest in the grave in which it has been buried. Give the new hands a chance and let the dead past bury its dead.

An interprovincial conference of Canadian mine owners and mining engineers has been called to assemble in Montreal during the first week in February proximo, under the auspices of the Canadian Institute. The notice calling the meeting announces that special subjects for discussion will be (a) "The total Abolition of the Duty on Mining Machinery" and (b) "The Removal of the Duty on Explosives." If it were not that as good and efficient mining machinery, and also explosives, can be and is manufactured in Canada as can be produced anywhere else, there might be some shadow of a pretext for Canadian mine owners and mining engineers to advocate placing these articles in the free list. Is it characteristic of these gentlemen that they desire to destroy valuable and well established Canadian industries to enable them, as they imagine, to accumulate a few more dollars into their pockets? It would seem so. Our manufacturers should keep the proceedings of this conference in view.

The Montreal Herald erects a monument upon which is the following inscription:

To the memory of the Manitoba school question, born 1890, died June 23, 1896, after a tempestuous career, during which it destroyed one national administration, sowed the seed of religious hatred, provoked animosi—here friendship had prevailed, and retarded the developmen—of the Dominion. Buried in Cornwall, December 19, 1896—"Unwept, unhonored and unsung." This shaft is raised by a wearied country to mark its relief and satisfaction at the demise and burial of the question, and as a warning to the politicians of the future that to wrest religious prejudices to partisian gain is to invite their own destruction.

The Montreal Herald has the following morceau in its editorial page:

It is a curious fact that a maker of anything in Canada comes and tells us that he makes a fine article, and the man who uses it comes along and says that it is no good—Fielding.

The credit of this brilliant epigram is given to a Minister of the Dominion Government, and one of the Commission to obtain information relating to the tariff. The idea intended to be conveyed is, that no Canadian manufacturer can produce a really excellent article. Mr. Fielding does not excite any great admiration for himself, nor does he demonstrate his fitness for the position he occupies by such unseemly remarks.

American journals that think Canada can be coerced into annexation by a refusal on the part of the United States to improve trade relations surely do not understand that Canadians are pure bred Anglo-Saxons.—The Globe.

And yet The Globe is constantly telling us that we can never be truly happy until we obtain free access for our products into the United States. We produce nothing which the United States does not produce in kind. What is the use of sending our coals to Newcastle? We have the facilities for manufacturing for ourselves, but The Globe wants the United States to manufacture for us. Why should we become hewers of wood and drawers of water for our neighbors?

We direct attenion to a communication to be found in another page from a correspondent who is a well known Cana. dian now residing in Sydney, N.S.W. He discusses matters of much interest to our manufacturers and others who are interested in Canadian-Australian trade, a noticeable feature of his letter having reference to the inadequate steamship communication between the two countries. It gives us pleasure to say that this matter is being remedied, as we learn that the Department of Trade and Commerce has been advised that the date of sailing from London of the steamer Agrangi, the new vessel of the Huddart line, which is to ply between Sydney and Vancouver, has been fixed for March 17. She will therefore make her first trip from Sydney to Vancouver in April. The addition of a third steamer to the line will allow of more frequent trips, and will also be taken advantage of for the purpose of enabling New Zealand to participate in the advantages of the service. Hope is expressed at the department that Canadian shippers will embrace the opportunity of the sailing of the Aorangi from London, as they will be able to obtain favorable rates across the Atlantic. This vessel will relieve the congested state of freight accommodation between Vancouver and Australia, which at present is such that steamers of the Canadian-Australian line are coaling at Honolulu in order to save the 450 tons of space required by extra fuel.

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More development and less deviltry would be a good motto for this country .-- The Globe.

Right you are for once. But The Globe has exhibited an exce. f deviltry in retarding the development of the manufacturing and other resources of Canada. It tells us that the United States market is absolutely essential for the development of our agricultural industries, while our sales to that country are decreasing, and our sales to Great Britain increasing every year; and its deviltry impels it to desire that our Canadian market shall be thrown open to the manufacturers of the United States, well knowing that to do so would destroy the fuller development of our own manufacturing industries. Now let the deviltry of The Globe cease so that the development of the industries of Canada be not retarded.

The result of the recent election in Cornwall should satisfy the members of the late Government that Canada is sick and tired of the Manitoba school question, and of all the unhappy controversy that has grown out of it. Happily for the country the question has been settled, and is now dead and buried, and he is no friend to Canada, certainly not to the manufacturers, who persists in endeavoring to resurrect the corpse. The late Conservative Government was not elevated to power to agitate the Manitoba school question, or any other question calculated to excite creed and similar hatreds. It was elected to maintain and uphold the National Policy, but it forgot its trust and therefore lost its grip upon the power it held. The people did not hand the sceptre of power to Mr. Laurier because they were dissatisfied with protection, but because they were tired of having the school question interfere with the prosperity of the country. If Mr. Laurier would be wiser than his predecessors were he will. having disposed of the school question, look after the material interests of Canada by maintaining and upholding the National Policy.

The Methodis: Magazine and Review for January begins its fortyfifth volume with a vigorous number. A splendidly illustrated article describes The Children's Crusade, in which 100,000 boys and girls set out for Palestine, most of whom met with a tragic fate by famine, or shipwreck, or slavery. Another article, with many illustrations, is In the Black Belt, describing especially many illustrations, is in the black Dell, describing especially the negro preaching and the strange, weird, pathetic campmeeting melodies. The music of several of the most striking of these is given. The Boer's Daughter is a stirring illustrated story of the British war in South Africa. An article of great interest is that by Dr. Abel Stevens, on Mary Somerville, the merest is that by Dr. Aber stevens, on Mary Somervine, the most remarkable woman scientist who ever lived. A popular science paper throws much light on the antiquity of man. The tricks of spiritualism are exposed with illustrations. A well illustrated account of the gold fields of Ontario, and up-to-date departments of the World's Progress, Current Thought, Popular Science and the like make me subordid number. Rev. Win Science and the like, make up a splendid number. Rev. Wm. Briggs, Toronto. \$2 a year.

Outing for January, wears the handsomest dress of all the popular monthlies. The great polar hear proudly posed upon a popular montaines. The great point near producty posed upon a mass of glittering ice is a most seasonable fancy, which is admirably set off by a wealth of gold and frosting. More important to the reader are the contents, which prove to be well chosen, superbly illustrated and most readable throughout. They include Redcoat and Continental, by Sara Beaumont Jennedy; The Game Redcoat and Continental, by Sara Deaumont Ixennedy; The Game Fishes of Florida, by Hy. Guy Carleton; A Tramp on Snowshoes, by Ed. W. Sandys; Bicycling in Japan, by Andrew MacPhail, M. D.; Quail Shooting in Snow, by Dwight Huntington; After Caribou on Snowshoes, by Paul Van Dyke; Christmas with Trapper Lewis, by Ed. W. Sandys; Iceboating on Beaver Dam Lake, by E. Elliott; Lenz's World Tour Awheel, and the usual editorials, poems and records of all important sporting events.

man of nineteen and unmarried. Naturally, the American girl<sup>8</sup> were deeply interested in him, and a period of the most romantic excitement ensued in all the cities. Every subterfuge to dance with the young Prince was resorted to, and members of his party were bribed to arrange a waltz with the Heir Apparent. ever, hand it was a sesson of excitement, and balls, dinners, fetes and receptions ruled. One of the Prince's party was Stephen Fiske, the journalist, who was delegated by the elder James Gordon Bennett, of The New York Herald, to remain with the Prince while he was in America. Naturally, Mr. Fiske saw all the inciwhile he was in America. Naturally, Mr. Piske saw all the incidents of His Royal Highness' tour. Taking a liking to the American journalist the young Prince saw that he was present on all occasions. Now Mr. Fiske has written out the whole story, and it forms the January installment of The Ladies' Home Journal's series of Great Personal Events. Illustrations of some of the scenes have been made, and these are given with the article. in the January Journal.

The Cultivateur, the paper of which the Hon. Mr. Tarte is editor, a few days ago, published the following item: The year that is now drawing near to a close will remain a red letter date in the annals of the Montreal Witness as being the one in which the fiftieth anniversary of its foundation occurred. Since the month of December of last year, the Witness did not pass a single week without devoting at least one page every Saturday to the celebration of its jubilee year, and the beauty of it is that the subscribers themselves have, in every case, furnished the elements for that page. The historical or literary contributions of these occasional contributors were so much the more interesting that, for the most part, they referred to events contemporaneous with the foundation of the paper. If the public found a real intellectual treat in that original publication, the Witness itself must have found in the feeling which inspired it and nurtured it every week, a very sweet consolation, that of knowing that it has the love of its readers, a love such as yet no other Canadian journal has been able to secure.

The January number of Scribner's Magazine marks the beginning of its second decade with an entirely new dress of type. plans for 1897, are the most extensive and attractive ever prepared for this magazine. Both of the serial stories are by American authors—Richard Harding Davis and W. D. Howells. Charles Dana Gibson, will contribute a series of articles on London—contributing both the text and illustrations. There will be notable series of articles also on The Conduct of Great Businesses in America, and on Undergraduate Life in American Colleges. In many ways the most remarkable article that has appeared in months is A Bystander's Notes of a Massacre by a writer whose accurate observation and authority the publishers can youch. Never since the Bulgarian atrocities has there been such a crushing revelation of the relentless cruelty of the Turks. The article is a complete refutation of the apologists who claim that the massacre of 4,000 Armenians, in Constantinople, in August last, consisted of a few mild riots and disorders for which there was abundant provocation.

(Our Australian Correspondent).

### CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS AND AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

To The Editor of The Canadian Manufacturer:

Sin,-You were good enough to ask me, on leaving for this hemisphere, to give you any information I could as to what Canada is doing here. This, I find, is not as easy to answer as one might at first sight imagine. I notice that a return of the Canadian Government shows that the exports to Australia have more than doubted in three years. This, however, is not all the story. It is doubtful, I find, whether the Canadian returns give all the trade. Those of these colonies admittedly do not. For example, goods are ordered from Canada through New York firms. goods, though undoubtedly for Australia, are shipped by the manufacturer to New York city, and if an export entry is obtained the event is contained the event of the the event o ed the export is entered as one to the United States. cases the manufacturer is not informed for what point his goods are destined and can make the entry in no other way.

Prior to the establishment of the line of steamers from Vancouver the Canadian exports to these colonies appear to have been in a had way. They had fallen from \$661,208 in 1889 to \$288,352 in June 1893. This was before the financial collapse here affected the trade to any great extent, for while our trade was thus tumbling to pieces the exports from the United States had diminished by less than eight per cent. In 1893 the panic seriously affected the trade of the United States and all nations except Canada, which, began Elliott: Lenz's World Tour Awheel, and the usual editorials, nems and records of all important sporting events.

When the Prince of Wales was in America, in 1860, he was a young to improve. The returns of this colony show that while the total imports have diminished by nearly twenty-five per cent., the imports from Canada had gone up from £10,655 to £61,174. The trade of the United States had taken a turn the other way, and had faller from £823,522 to £624,268. Prior to the beginning of what may be termed the direct trade policy, the large exports were timber and fish. These are sometimes termed the indigenous industries of Canada. How these were effected are shown by these figures :-

Exports of fish from Canada.....\$225,466 \$22,302 124,322 Exports of timber from Canada.... 253,938

How the figures stand to-day, I cannot say, but I am imformed that while we are recovering something of our lost ground in these articles, yet, they are now, not only not the whole, but they are not the chief articles of our exportations to these colonies. The returns of this colony show that the two together do not constitute one-half of the importations from the Dominion.

Two good things have been accomplished; both the value and the variety of our exports have been increased. Something has been done in produce. Wheat and flour have come in quantities, although Canadians were slow to take advantage of the market. Oats could have been brought here with profit, but there was no shipping. Onions and fruit were solicited and other vegetables at the right season can find a market from at least British Columbia. Good apples are selling here just now at \$3 to \$3.75 per bushel, and scarce at that. Hops, and probably malt, are other articles that will find their way from Canada when Canadian enterprise is awakened.

In manufactures the trade in agricultural implements, cottons and bicycles have reached large figures. Saw mill machinery, rubber goods, suspenders, carriage wheels, woodwork, springs, axles, bodies, tops, dashes and other parts; musical instruments, buggies, waggons, glassware, bolts, tweeds, shovels and spades, paints and varnishes, furniture, drugs and dye stuffs, manufactured tobacco, window blinds, wall paper, leather and some other lines have been introduced but the trade cannot be regarded as fixtures yet. It will be noticed that no attempt has been made to introduce what should become one of the leading industries of Canada, paper pulp, paper and its allied businesses. Correspondence has been going on and Australian manufacturers' agents have gone to Canada, but the manufacturers show little inclination to branch out this wav just vet.

I have asked the Canadian Commissioner to give his reasons why some goods have succeeded while others are not making headway. In some lines Canadian manufacturers are not yet in a position to compete with the world here, from varied causes. Take the case of barb wire and kerosene, for instance. The comparative dearness of the raw material and small value of the labor put on the product puts competition out of the question. In others the reason is that the demand is decreasing. The Canadian manufacturers of cabinet organs have been active in their efforts to secure a market, but though they are getting their share of the trade, the husiness is declining. The popular taste in music has changed. The cheap German piano that can be bought retail at \$150 and less has replaced the organ as a domestic instrument, and the churches are not in a position to buy. The tendency of the trade is shown by the fact that last year, the average value of 168 organs and harmoniums, brought in from the United States, is given in the customs return at \$9.75 each. With better times there will be a better demand but just now it cannot grow into large proportions.

In some cases it is attributed to the lack of effort to introduce

the goods. Goods are sold here as in Canada by personal persistence, push and the expenditure of a little money. Six Canadian bicycle manufacturers have put forth some effort to get into Australia, three have succeeded, three have not. Apart from the open question as to the merits of the machines the success is attributable to the fact that proper means were used in the successful instances, and the success has just been in proportion to the effort put forth. It is believed that the sales of a certain Canadian made hieyele exceeds that of any other single machine sent here. The same principle will hold good, but not to the same extent, in regard to many other lines.

There are goods for which this will be a market for surplusses rather than for profit. In these cases it would not do to go to such expense. In some, the quantity that could be sold would not warrant a large outlay but some effort should be made. The seller here, as elsewhere, must seek the buyer.

Another obstacle to the extension of trade has been the neglect of orders when sent. It is the exception to find any one who has begun trade with Canada who does not complain of delay in answering letters and greater delay in filling orders. This is much more serious at the initiation of a business than after it has become established. The Canadian Commissioner has letters from Australian firms stating that their business has been so injured by these delays in receipt of Canadian goods that they had been compelled to place their orders elsowhere. Some of the delays are ex-

plainable and unavoidable, but surely this cannot be the case when there was a Lose of nine months between the sending of an order, accompanied by a draft in payment, and the acknowledgment of its receipt.

The chief difficulty is in the matter of freight. The Canadian-Australian steamers latterly have not been able to accept the freight offered. This is being remedied. More serious still is the fact that even if carried below actual cost of carriage the long overland haul prevents laying down the goods from the East as cheaply as competing goods are landed here. Canadian manufacturers have given little heed to this freight matter, but it is quite as important us the price they ask for their goods. What boots it to the Canadian if the quality and price in Canada compares favorably with those of rivals in the United States, while the freight adds forty per cent. to the cost of his goods here, while those of his rivals can be laid down at an advance of only twenty per cent? This applies more particularly to less than car lots, and as the early orders are certain to be less than car lots it puts an embargo upon trade at the outset.

What are the pecuniary results of the trade so far? Here is the answer of a few firms doing trade to some extent, I am sorry I am not permitted to give names :-

Don't know, been engaged in seed sowing and expenses heavier than they will be, but looks all right."

"Just making bank interest on the capital invested."
"No profit whatever, just clearing ourselves."

"We are satisfied."

One firm actually says, "Profits, so far, better than on Canadian sales.

To the question of "why continue the business if there is no profit?" The answer was given:—"At the price at which we are selling in Canada, now, it is necessary to keep our machinery steadily at work and the home market won't enable us to do it. It is therefore better for us to sell here, if we clear ourselves, than to shut down. Then we hope something of the future." There can be no doubt that if there is not much direct profit to the manufacturers there is a profit to the workmen engaged in the factory and the producer of the raw material which enter into the goods One favorable point is that so far there appear to have been no bad debts save where small quantities of goods were consigned to persons to whom not a cent of credit would have been given in Canada, and against whom warnings had been sent out.

There can be no doubt but that there is an opening for many lines of Canadian goods, some of which have not yet been tried. Others have been tried and failed because badly introduced. I have taken up too much space to dwell on what should be done to extend our trade. I would recommend, first of all, to write to the Canadian Commissioner here for all the information he can give you, giving him all the information necessary to enable him to do it, such as character of goods, freight rates, via Vancouver and any other way, and sending, if possible, samples.

Then if you make up your mind that the prospect warrants you to act, do so vigorously and promptly. If it is good enough, send out a first-class man to open up the trade. If not get the Canadian Commissioner to put you into communication with a good manufacturer's agent. When satisfied he is capable and honest, help facturer's agent. him along. Don't delay answering his letter for three months and sending his samples for six.

Organize export houses as is done by other nations. facturers are not merchants, particularly merchants so far away, but they could do a good business if a proper mercantile organization would undertake to sell the goods for them. Just as Messrs. D. Morrice, Sons & Co., do for the cotton trade, some organizations should do for other lines.

Look into freight closely and arrange for the cheapest method of getting here. The C.P.R. and steamers from Vancouver give Canada a better route for quick delivery and goods that will stand the charge, than is enjoyed by any other nation, but for other lines direct sailing vessels from the St. Lawrence appear to be necessary. In this way goods from Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces could be laid down here as cheaply as from the United States or Europe. Ninety-five per cent. of the United States trade is done by such vessels from New York and San Francisco. Can Canadian goods compete unless they have like advantages? Sydney, N.S.W., November 19, 1896. A CANADIAN.

### THE TARIFF COMMISSION AT HAMILTON.

The Dominion Tariff Commission hald a session of their investigation in Hamilton, Ont., beginning November 30, 1896. testimony obtained was as follows :-

### MANUFACTURES OF PIG-IRON.

The Hamilton Iron and Steel Company, who are owners of the

only blast furnace in Ontario, were represented before the Commission by Mr. John Milne, the president and other gentlemen

interested in the enterprise.

Mr. Milne said that it was of the greatest importance to have the mineral resources of this country developed. Canada possessed ores of as good a quality as were to be found in the United States, but they were difficult to get out owing to lack of railway accommodation. Good from was now being produced at the Hamilton blast furnace, and the manufacturers in this country were using it largely. The establishment of this furnace had forced the American companies to lower prices, and as the price of the Hamilton product was also low, he was well within the mark in saying that Canada was getting cheaper iron to-day than ever before When running at its utmost capacity the Hamilton furnace could turn out 200 tons a day, and required 400 tons of material to feed As yet, however, it had not been run to its full capacity, but on the average about 120 tons a day had been produced. Hence-forward, by reason of hetter shipping facilities, the Hamilton blast furnace expect to be supplied with ores from the Lake Superior district. The ores would be conveyed by beat to Hamilton, and would thus greatly add to the carrying trade of the lakes. Up to the 20th November last 10,000 tons of Canadian ore had been used, which represented about \$3,50 a ton. Nearly \$35,000 had been expended in the purchase of ores from Hastings county and other parts of Canada. During the time the Hamilton furnace had been in operation 21,000 tons of pig iron had been turned out. Of this amount 10,000 tons had been placed on the market, and 4,000 tons had been booked for sale. For freights inward on the ores there had been \$66,000 paid to the railways, and for outward bound freights \$7,000. In addition to these sums spent, either directly or indirectly, in Canada, the furnace has paid in wages an average of \$1,150 per week; or, in all, about \$46,000 since operations began. The number of hands employed in producing iron in Hamilton was 125. The furnace plant cost \$400,000, and about three-quarters of a million dollars in all had been invested in the industry in that city without a dollar of advantage to the capitalists having yet been reaped. He hoped the Government would recognize that fact, and give the industry a fair chance of being established by not interfering with the iron duties for at least another five years. If the iron duties were removed it would be a long time before capitalists would be ready to invest in blast furnaces here again. Great importance was now attached to gold mining, but iron was more useful than gold, so numerous were the manufactures into which it entered. The consumers would not benefit by tures into which it entered. The consumers would not benefit by the discontinuance of the duties. By means of the blast furnace in their midst Canadian consumers were getting cheaper iron than ever before. At present the Hamilton furnace produces pig iron only, and it could produce more than was consumed in this country, but if the Government granted encouragement it was intended to Were this ange in for the Manufacture of steel as well as iron. ticipation realised probably 500 men would be employed instead of a hundred.

Mr. Wood, M.P., read figures showing the importation of pig iron into Canada of recent years. In 1895 about 35,060 tons were

Sir Richard Cartwright enquired whether the Hamilton furnace

was not at a disadvantage in the matter of coal.

Mr. Milne replied that a great many people took that view, but e did not concur in it. The Southern furnaces, for example, he did not concur in it. The Southern furnaces, for example, were very far from the base of consumption, and so were disadvantageously situated. The Carnegio furnaces at Pittsburg used Lake Superior ore, and its conveyance to that city involved a railway hand of a 100 miles from Price when it had to be a chilenge from the conveyance to the city involved for the conveyance to the city involved for the city involved in the city involved for the city involved for the city involved in the city involved for the city involved fo haul of a 180 miles from Erie, where it had to he re-shipped from the lake vessels. Conditions were similar in the case of the furnace at Buffalo. On the other hand, the Hamilton furnace was now getting its ore from Hastings county. One mine it controlled there showed 15,000 tons of ore. So far as the Buffalo furnaces were concerned, they were at a disadvantage by reason of the extra haul from Hamilton to Niagara Falls. The Buffalo smelters had also to get the stone required for their operations from Canada. On the whole, things were pretty evenly balanced as between the Canadian furnaces and those of the United States. A furnace could produce 150 tons of iron with the same labor that was required. for 100 tons. Where the Tonawanda and Buffalo furnaces had the advantage was that they could produce so much more iron than the works here, by reason of their larger plant. At present only foundry iron was turned out in Hamilton, but if a steel plant were added the manufacture of iron would alternate weekly with that of steel. There was more steel than pig-iron used in this country. It was a remarkable fact that all the steel rails required in Canada had to be imported from foreign countries.

dr. Fielding desired to know whether the market would be ample

if all the manufacturers were to increase their output.

Mr. Milne-As to that we have all got to take our chances.

Mr. Fielding-Then it's a case of the survival of the fittest, is it? Mr. Milne-I don't know that; there's plenty of consumption. There is ample room for the consumption of the product of all the furnaces in Canada to-day.

Mr. Milne went on to explain, as showing the market for steel in this country, that the Grand Trunk annually used 25,000 tons of steel rails for repairing and renewing its roads. The Hamilton

furnace had used 31,000 tens of American ore.

Mr. Fielding-Do you think that is developing the mineral

wealth of Canada very largely?

Mr. Milne-No; I do not; but I want you to bear this in mind, so mineral wealth of this country had been neglected. There has the mineral wealth of this country had been neglected. There has been no demand for ore, and people have not been willing to put money into smelting enterprises. We have only been in existence for nine months, and in that time have made every effort to get the mines opened up.

He went on to say that there was a large proportion of the Hamilton iron used in Ontario. The Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific railways were consumers, and also many foundrymen in Montreal and Toronto. In time it was expected to get all the ores from the Lake Superior district for the Hamilton furnace.

Sir Richard Cartwright pointed out that the manufacturers of iron received protection to the amount of \$6, made up of a duty of \$4 a ton and a honus of \$2 a ton. Iron was a raw material which passed through many hands, and the effect of the iron duties was much heavier on the consumer than in the case of other duties of a nominal character.

Mr. Milno rather dissented from the classification of pig-iron as He was inclined to regard it as just as much a a raw material. manufactured article as the finished product from other manufactories.

This drew forth a remark from Mr. Fielding, who said that in that case the term was delusive, and there was no such thing as raw material.

Again Mr. Milne dissented. You might call pig-iron raw material or not, just as you viewed it. For his part he called it the finished product, and if its production were encouraged it would finished product, and it its production were encouraged it would materially advance the prosperity of Canada. Continuing, he said with respect to the prices elsewhere that Scotch pig-iron, laid down in Montreal, was worth \$19.20 a ton. Deduct from this amount the duty and the freight, and you would get the selling price in England. The consumer in Hamilton get his iron for \$15.65 a ton, or nearly \$2 cheaper than he could get it laid down for in the same city from outside points. The freight was added to the Hamilton iron sold in Montreal, so that there the price would be Hamilton iron sold in Montreal, so that there the price would be about \$17.50.

Mr. Feilding-You say you are selling iron \$2 cheaper than it can be obtained for elsewhere. Is that in consequence of the pro-

tective policy?

Mr. Milne-In consequence of the furnace being started here.

Mr. Milne—In consequence of the turnace being started nere.
Mr. Fielding—Because, if you prove the reduction in cost is a
result of the protective policy, you have only got to increase the
protection and you eventually get your iron for nothing.
Mr. Milne—The American people at one time largely controlled
this market, and a great deal of their iron has been used here.
When this furnace was started the Americans knew they had got to keep their iron down to low figure in order to sell any iron here at all. Accordingly they lowered the price. We can afford to sell cheaper iron as long as there is any profit. We want to introduce the iron into the market, and are satisfied with a fair price. We have sold iron as low as \$13 a ton to consumers in Montreal and Hamilton.

Mr. Wood, M.P., declared that he was interested in the furnace, and would like the Minister to visit the works and see them in operation. They could then witness for themselves the advantages of having a furnace of such a description in the country, and realize the importance of the industry. It was decided that the Ministers would inspect the furnace before they left Hamilton.

### ROLLING MILLS.

Messrs. C. E. Doolittle and C. S. Wilcox, of the Ontario Rolling Mills Co., Hamilton, presented a type-written document set-

ting forth in detail their wishes.

They manufacture iron and steel bands, cut nails, etc. They have over \$300,000 invested in plant, and 500 men are employed when the works are running at full time. The materials used in page 150,000 invested in plant, and 500 men are supplied when the works are running at full time. manufacture are scrap iron, steel billets, puddled bars, and coal. At the revision of the tariff in 1894 the duty on bar iron and steel was reduced to \$3 per ton, while the duty on scrap iron was increased to \$2 per ton. In both cases the changes made were against the interests of the manufacturers. During the last few years the iron business of the world had undergone great changes. At first, competition came from Great Britain. Now it was entirely from the United States, where they were able to produce iron and steel cheaper than anywhere else in the world, and from which

country shipments were made even to Great Britain. The result of the manufacture of iron in Canada was that higher prices had to be paid for scrap iron here than were paid in the United States. If the rolling mills in Canada were closed up, this material would be practically uscless, as the high duty and freights would exclude it from going into the United States, and Canadian manufacturers would lose accordingly. The present tariff had been arranged by the late Government upon the representations of the blast furnaces, with a view of causing the manufacture of iron and steel from Canadian ores. That policy had been tried for a number of years, under varying conditions, and had failed, and the deputation did not believe it could succeed unless the Government desired to increase the duty on finished bar iron and steel very much above the present rate. With a view of encouraging the rolling mill interest and also securing lower prices to the consumers of iron and steel, as well as increasing the revenue, it was suggested that the Government should make considerable reductions in the duties upon raw materials. Under the present tariff it was impossible to import scrap iron with profit, and but a small quantity of steel billets. With reduced duties on these materials and on bituminous coal, the rolling mills could import larger quantities and increase the revenue to that extent. One very important point urged was that if the duties on the finished product of the rolling mills were changed they should be of a specific and not an ad valorem character. This was rendered necessary by the extreme fluctuation in the price of goods in the United States, and also because freights on the raw materials used by the rolling mills formed a large part of the cost of the product, and were, in fact, a specific tax upon the industry.

It was asked that a conference of representatives of rolling mills with the Government should be granted, when the details of the manufactory could be gone into. To this suggestion the Commismanufactory could be gone into.

sioners raised no objection.

In the course of the discussion it was stated by the deputation that the duty on scrap iron was intended to make the rolling mills use puddled bars made in this country. It had not had that effect, but it had increased the cost of bar iron to the consumer. The duty on scrap iron was \$4 a ton net, and on bar iron \$10 a ton.

### TACKS AND WIRE NAILS.

Mr. F.H. Whitton, appeared for the Ontario Tack Co., Hamilton, and made a very strong plea for a continuance of the present duties on imported goods in their lines. He showed samples of tacks, sold at retail in Canada for five cents a package, and for which the makers received but 11 cents. Nor would it make any difference how much cheaper they were sold by the makers, the price to the consumer would be the same. Then on the boxes in which the tacks were marketed, and which could not be made in Canada, apparently, there was a duty, and also on the steel plate used in manufacture. As for wire nails, there was no country in the world that produced the same quality of nail that is produced in Canada, and in the nail business particularly it was necessary that there should remain some protection. The methods of the American manufacturers were such that prices there fluctuated in ways that made it very dangerous for Canadians in the business unless they were protected. In the States every little while a war of extermination was started, and prices went away down, the manufactured article being sold at prices away below actual cost of the raw materials used in its manufacture. It made no differ-It made no differencehow good goods were. The first temptation to the consumer was price, and quality came afterwards. One of the greatest values of the association was the betterment in the quality of the goods turned out. It was no use to look to export trade as that was already monopolized by the United States.

Mr. Fielding—There is an American duty on your goods? Mr. Whitton—There is and is likely to be.

Mr. Fielding—But if they can sell so cheaply and have the foreign trade, do you not think they could very well take off the

Mr. Whitton-No, for the reason that they need the home trade to be able to quote lower rates for export purposes. He believed there was sufficient business in Canada to keep the factories now in existence reasonably busy.

### FOUNDRYMEN AND STOVEMAKERS.

A deputation of foundrymen and stovemakers appeared, consisting of Messrs. W. J. Copp, W. A. Robinson, William Burrows, and O. G. Carscallen. Mr. Copp, who voiced the wishes of the deputation, stated that they made their request on the basis of no interference with the iron duties. It was desired that the duty on stoves should remain at 27½ per cent.; that stove patterns, now rated at one cent per pound, and twenty-five per cent. ad valorem, should be dutiable at 271 per cent., and that the same rate of duty should apply to stove rods, which are now subject to duties of one cent per pound and twenty-five per cent. ad valorem; that emory

wheels, dutiable at twenty-five per cent., should enter at export prices; that sheet iron and sheet steel, subject to a duty of five per cent., and rated as 'No. 17 and up," should be rated down to No. 14; that the duty on stove patterns, if they cannot be admitted free, be placed at gix cents per pound; that ordinary tile used for stove or grate purposes should be subject to a duty of 27½ per cent. instead of thirty five per cent., as at present; that designs, for which a fee of \$5 is exacted, and which only stand for five years, should be made good for a period of fourteen years.

A number of the firms present stated that they were using large

quantities of the iron turned out at the Hamilton works, and it

proved quite satisfactory.

Mr. Copp declared he would be quite willing for the American manufacturers to enter the Canadian market if he could gain access to the market of the United States. The American duty on stoves, however, was thirty-five per cent. At the same time he warned the Commissioners against lowering the duties in this country, and weakening the Canadian manufacturers, unless there was a prospect of obtaining equally favorable terms for Canadian stoves entering the United States markets.

### MACHINE TOOLS.

Messrs. John Bertram & Sons, of the Canada Tool Works, Dun-Formerly, Mr. das, was represented by Mr. John Bertram. Bertram said, American machines, though much higher in price, were in demand in Canada, but now his firm were turning out machinery which was thoroughly abreast of the times. The regular prices of the productions of the two countries were almost the same now, but the American manufacturers had an export price for the purpose of competition in foreign markets. Mr. Bertram said that lately the firm were trying to work up export trade. They had had several inquiries from Japan and they had sent almost twenty per cent. of their catalogues to that country. They had also entered into a contract with a house in Chili. He thought that it might be advisable for the Government to send an agent to second their efforts in the foreign markets. At the last revision of the tariff the duty on machine tools were reduced from thirty per cent. to  $27\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., though no interest had asked for it. However, he would like to have the present duty maintained so that they would not have to fight the American low export prices. Sir Richard Cartwright told Mr. Bertram that he would be glad to hear that there was an opening for trade in his line in Japan.

### WIRE, AND MANUFACTURES OF.

Messrs. S. O. Greening, of the Greening Wire Co., C. A. Birge, of the Canada Screw Co., and F. H. Whitton, of the Ontario Tack Co., all of Hamilton, testified. Mr. Birge said that there were seven or eight wire manufacturers in Canada, and no change in the present duty was desired, on the ground that it was already insufficient. In view of the difficulty of meeting American competition, he mentioned the fact that in Pittsburgh prices were practically the same on wire as on wire rods, the raw material from which wire was made. No change in the duties on wood screws and iron and copper rivets was wanted, but the duties should be specific wherever practicable. He complained, as other manufacturers had done, of manufacturers sending their surplus products into Canada at prices very much below those in the "inited States domestic market. He intimated that he had received a communication from a manufacturer across the line containing a statement which should give food for reflection. It was that there were too many manufac-turers in the United States, and they had to secure foreign markets for their surplus. "We," said the writer, "naturally look to Canada as the first market to conquer."

The witness underwent a long cross-examination from Mr. Fielding, as a result of his statement that there was an association of manufacturers, and they had an agreement with the merchants regarding prices. This was not for the benefit of the manufacturer, but was done at the request of the merchants, in orderthat prices should be fixed that would yield a margin of profit to the merchants. He would send the Ministers a copy of the agreement. There was no combine but an association. Personally, he cared nothing for protection, and when prices were normal could hold his own. The duties were necessary when trade in the United States was so demoralized that the manufacturers there were prepared to sell at prices from ten to fifteen, and even twenty-five per cent-below the cost of production. This state of affairs set in at the time of the Wilson bill, and was not ended yet. The Canadian Association, which had been referred to, not only fixed the prices for the manufacturers, but the merchants also. If a merchant persisted in cutting the prices, the association would go to pieces, and they would have to get along as best they could. The merchant was asked to sign an agreement that he would maintain prices. If he did not do so a penalty was enforced.

Mr. Fielding was on the lookout for combines and he seemed to think he had found one in the screw industry, but from Mr. Birge's standpoint the association was purely for the protection of the

users of the products of the factory.

Mr. Greening pointed out that there was only a small margin of protection on the goods manufactured by his company, such as wire cloth, wire rope, perforated sheet zinc, perforated copper and brass, and perforated steel, etc., and any lowering of the duty would be disastrous to the industry, as they could not successfully hope to meet foreign competition with less protection than now enjoyed. In the case of wire cloth there was only a difference of 23 per cent, between the duty on the finished article and that on the

### TINNED WARE.

Mr. J. C. McKeand, represented Messrs. E. T. Wright and Co., Hamilton, manufacturers of stamped ware, including bird cages, lanterns, lamps, etc. He drew attention to an evident mistake in the tariff. In the last revision tinned wire cloth should have figured under the item "wire cloth, brass copper, and tin," dutiable at twenty per cent. Unfortunately it appeared as "tin wire cloth," and as there was no such article made, the local appraiser classed it as "wire not elsewhere specified," and exacted a duty of thirty per cent. On goods made of the same material the duty was only 271 per cent. It was now desired to revert to the twenty per cent. duty, which ought properly to be imposed.

### TINNERS TOOLS

Mr. J. M. Brown, of Brown, Boggs & Co., Hamilton, manufacturers of tinners' tools, asked that the goods made by his firm should be classified in the Customs list. He had no objection to the tariff, as it now stood, in connection with his business.

### VEHICLE WHEELS.

Mr. John G. Hore, of F. W. Hore & Son, wheel manufacturers, Hamilton, said the duty was twenty-five per cent. on spokes, shafts, etc., and thirty-five per cent. on wheels. He had to go to the States for raw material, but he did not care to see the duty lowered on carriage woodwork. He roughly estimated the cost of production as being seventy-five per cent. raw material and twentyfive per cent. labor.

### THE CANNING INDUSTRY.

The Canadian canning industry was next heard from. It was represented by Messrs. W. P. Innes, Simcoe, W. A. Ferguson, Delhi, President of the Canners' Association; W. A. Miller, ex-M. P., Picton; D. Marshall, Aylmer; Thomas Nihan, St. Catharines. With the canners were Mr. W. C. Breckenridge, of the Norton Manufacturing Co., Hamilton, representing the tin-plate interest, and Mr. P. D. Carse, representing the industry of plate interest, and Mr. P. D. Carse, representing the industry of producing the labels. Mr. Innes said that previous to 1878, when the duty on fruits and vegetables was 174 per cent., there were only a couple of factories in Canada. Now there were twenty-seven in Ontario and Quebec, one each in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and one or more in British Columbia.

The investment represented \$500,000. About 3,000 people were directly employed and as many more indirectly in gathering and preparing fruits and vegetables. There was annually paid to farmers and other growers about \$500,000. The annual property labels are all readured in the Department of the second labels. cases, labels, etc., all produced in the Dominion. In 1878 canned goods came in at 17½ per cent. About five years later the duty was adanced to two cents a pound on vegetables and three cents a pound on fruits. It remained at these figures until 1895, when it was reduced to a cent and a half a pound on vegetables and two cents a pound on fruits. During the last two years, Mr. Innes said, competition amongst the Canadian canners had been so keen that they had all found it difficult to save themselves from loss. Four factories had either closed up voluntarily or been closed by the sheriff. They were now selling a superior quality of goods at a much lower price than they obtained for an indifferent article in 1878, when the bulk of the goods consumed in the country came from the United States. The request was made that the duties on canned fruits, vegetables and meats should be allowed to remain as they are at present; that tin plates and ingot tin be left on the free list as at present, and that the duty on evaporated fruits be changed from twenty-five per cent., ad valorem to a specific duty of seven and a half cents a pound. Mr. Ferguson explained that the proposition to increase the duty on evaperated fruit was based on a desire to harmonize the fresh and evaporated fruit duties. duty on fresh fruit was one cent a pound. The difference in favor of evaporated fruit in the United States was three and a half cents a pound, as it took five pounds of fresh fruit to produce one of evaporated fruit. He said that the production of canned goods was in excess of the demand of the country and the factories must find markets elsewhere. Railway freights from southern Ontario to New York, Boston and other seaports was twenty-one cents a hundred weight on apples. From Rochester and thereabouts it was twelve cents. This put the Canadian canner at a disadvantage on the English market, and Mr. Ferguson was of the opinion that Great Britain offered a good field for trade if the disadvantages of the freight rates could be overcome.

Mr. Breckenridge asked that the present duty on tin cans be mantained, and Mr. Carse expressed his satisfaction with the present tariff arrangements as to fruit-can labels.

### COPPER WIRE

Mr. H. E. Job, representing the Kay Electrical Works, Hamilton, asked that soft copper wire, when imported for electrical purposes, be put on the free list.

### CASH REGISTERS.

The claims of a new Canadian industry were brought to the attention of the Commission. It was the manufacture of cash registers, which in the past has been almost entirely monopolized by companies in the United States. The Capital Cash Register Company of Ottawa, was represented by Mr. E. A. Oliver, and the Hamilton Brass Company by Mr. R. C. Henders. The case was stated by Mr. Oliver. He said that there was at present no classification of cash registers other than as office furniture. The deputation asked that they be classified as cash registers, and that the duty he raised from thirty to thirty-five per cent., as it formerly was. Mr. Oliver said that his company had put in a plant at Ottawa and expected to have the first lot of cash registers out by the beginning of the year. He accused the Americans of undervaluation. Their price, he said, for customs valuation of a machine sold in the United States for \$300 was \$195. The duty should be collected on the selling price of the machine, which was \$300. Mr. Oliver claimed that the American company manufactured a special machine or "knocker" to meet the competition of a new Mr. Henders endorsed what Mr. Oliver said. The American duty on cash registers is forty per cent.

### SEWER PIPE.

Messrs. Henry New of the Hamilton and Toronto Sewer Pipe Company, and A. D. Harris and Robert Campbell, of the Ontario Sewer Pipe Company, asked for the imposition of a specific duty of \$5 a ton upon sewer pipe in lieu of the present average ad valorem duty of thirty-five per cent. In the event of not imposing a specific duty it was desired that the duty be levied upon a value of seventy per cent. off the American list instead of 771, as at present. Mr. New pointed out that the change would exclude second-class sewer pipe, which was at present being brought in and sold as the first-class article. Double scrength pipe was often admitted as ordinary standard pipe, although it should be twenty per cent. dearer. Fuel and labor largely entered into the cost of the manufacture of sewer pipe. The manufacturers in the United States got their coal for a dollar and frequently seventy-five cents a ten while it out \$2.25 here. This is the states of the second of the states got their coal for a dollar and frequently seventy-five cents a ten while it out \$2.25 here. states got their coal for a donar and frequently seventy-live cents a ton, while it cost \$3.25 here. This made a difference of eighteen per cent. in the cost. In the United States wages amounting to \$1.15 a day were paid, while here the average was \$1.40. In the matter of freight rates, the advantage was largely on the side of the American manufacturers. Prices of pipe were a little higher in this country than in the adjoining republic, but the American manufacturers sold their goods 25 per cent. cheaper in this country than in their own market. There were five factories in Canada, but there was no association for keeping up prices. As good a quality of pipe was made in Canada as anywhere else.

Sir Richard Cartwright pointed out that the Canadian manufacturers had succeeded in reducing the importation in three years from \$90,000 to \$20,000. That seemed to show that they were in

a pretty independent position.

### POTTERY.

It was to ask that no reduction be made in the present duty on pottery that Messrs. R. W. Campbell of Hamilton, S. F. Glass of andon, and Fred. Chalcraft of Brantford, appeared before the Ministers. They make yellow-ware linings for coal stoves and furnaces, glazed tile, salt glazed stoneware and Bristol ware. They assured the Ministers that there is no agreement as to prices or production. Goods they send were sold to the customer at as low a price consistent with quality as any other market. The duty on stoneware is three cents for gallon size and on stone lining twenty ner cent.

FIRE BRICK.

Mr. Edward New, who is just starting a fire brick factory in Hamilton, the first concern of the kind in the country, as he claims, asked that a duty be imposed upon fire brick.

### CONVICT-MADE BRUSHES.

John Black, representing the Journeymen Brushmakers' Association, of Hamilton, said their industry was feeling the hardship of competing with prison-made goods from Germany and Austria, although it was difficult to prove that they were made by prisoners.

Mr. Fielding pointed out that the law prohibited the importa-tion of prison-made goods, and Sir Richard Cartwright pointed out

that the imports from Germany three or four years ago were very

Mr. Black explained that the goods did not come directly from Germany, but from England, through New York or Montreal, the goods being of alleged English manufacture. They were sold so cheaply that the Hamilton manufacturers could not compete with them. He was satisfied that what he said about the prisoners of Germany making brushes was correct, and he wished the Government to send a detective to the old country to ferret the matter out,

The Commissioners thought that the Government records of Gormany should show whether Mr. Black's suspicions regarding convict labor were correct or not, and they promised to look into the matter. Sir Richard Cartwright said the Government blue books showed that the importation of brushes from the States was larger than that from France and Germany.

### SOAP.

Mr. W. H. Judd of Judd and Company, soap manufacturers, Hamilton, opposed a reduction in duty. Boxes of soap that formerly sold for \$4.30 now brought only \$1.50. The reduction was due to the tremendous competition. The Canadian makers were turning out four or five times the supply, and a further reduction in prices meant the extinction of the Canadian soap industries. There were pork-packers in Chicago—Fairbanks, for example—who had gone into the soap-making business. With cheap tallow and grease at their disposal such manufacturers were able to overcome all competition. If the tariff were lowered and the Americans were allowed to make a slaughter market of Canada, it would drive half the Canadian manufacturers out of business.

The Diamond Glass Company, Hamilton, was represented by Messrs. George Rutherford and John Watt. The company manufactures bottles and fruit jars principally, but no window glass. Mr. Rutherford said that the company desired that in the revision of the tariff no change should be made in the existing duties. They contended that no injustice was done to the consumer. Mr. Rutherford stated that a reduction of duty would mean a loss of revenue, because there was a large importation of goods that could not be manufactured in Canada. He assured the Ministers that there was no combine in the glass industry, although there was an agreement between the Montreal factory and the Hamilton factory that they should make separate lines. These factories had to meet domestic competition from New Glasgow and Wallaceburg. Outside competition came largely from the United States. There was some from Germany, some from Belgium and none from England.

### SPICES.

Mr. J. L. McLaren of the Hamilton Coffee and Spice Company, suggested that a specific duty of not less than two cents a pound he imposed on ground spice in addition to whatever ad valorem the Government might decide to put on unground goods, instead of an extra ad valorem duty as at present. He claimed that this would not increase the duty on a high grade of goods and would protect the consumer against adulterated spices. The existing duties were twelve and one half per cent. on unground spices and twenty-five per cent. on grou: goods.

### BLACKING MOE POLISH, RUBBER CEMENT, ETC.

Blacking, shoe drewing, stove polish, inks, mucilages and cements were represented by Messrs. E. A. Dalley, J. D. Trenaman and H. E. Rolston. Mr. Dalley, the spokesman told the Commissioners that the late Government had reduced the tariff on blacking, from thirty per cent, to twenty-five per cent., which he considered a low rate of duty. He asked that the Customs Department should collect the duty on American blacking on the basis of the selling price in the country of production. Shoe dressings paid a duty of twenty-five per cent. The bottles were taxed thirty per cent. This product contained fifty per cent. of methylated spirits, for which the Canadian manufacturers had to pay the Government SI a gallon. If they could get their spirits at the same price as the American manufacturers they would be satisfied. In regard to ink and mucilage Mr. Dalley said that the principal cost of production was in the bottles, on which there was a duty of thirty per cent. Mr. Rolston asked that the customs valuation on imported stove polish he the value in the country of production, and that the duty on crude plumbago of ten per cent. and twenty-five per cent. on ground plumbago be removed. Mr. Trenaman of the Domestic specialty Company advanced strong reasons for a rearrangement of the duties on rubber cement used in the bicycle and boot and shoe industry. There were, he said, about 6,000 barrels used in Canada annually. While there was a protection of only twenty-five per cent. on the finished article, they paid almost a hundred per cent. on the raw material. An important element in the manufacture of this article is naptha, on which the duty is seventy-two per cent He did not ask that the raw material be reduced, but he asked

that the duty on cement in bottles be thirty-five per cent, and that in bulk it be thirty per cent. and six cents a gallon.

### BAKING POWDER AND MUSTARD.

Mr. W. G. Dunn of Messrs Dunn and Company, Croyden, England, and Hamilton. Canada, manufacturers of baking powder, mustards, spices, etc., asked that the duty upon his products be allowed to remain as they are.

### SAND PAPER.

The Dominion Flint Paper Company, Hamilton, was represented by Mr. James A. Patterson, who wanted a measure of protection to the extent of thirty-five per cent. by way of encouragement for a new industry. His company is just beginning operations in the manufacture of sand paper and other similar lines.

### JEWELRY AND SILVERWARE.

When the Commission sat in Toronto the jewellers and silversmiths of that city stated their views and the trade in Hamilton expressed themselves in identically the same language with respect to the duties on watch cases, watch movements, clocks, jewelry, and precious stones. The deputation was composed of Messrs. J. G. Parker, representing the Meriden Britannia Company, manu-G. Parker, representing the Meriden Dritannia Company, manufacturers of plated ware; A. S. Levy and W. E. Boyd, representing the wholesale jewellers; G. H. Lees, of Lees and Company, manufacturers; and W. Davis, T. Lees, F. Claringbowl, retailers.

Mr. J. E. Parker acted as chief spokesman, and made the following statement on the architect of clated again.

lowing statement on the subject of plated ware :-

"The tariff now exacted on paper boxes, jewellery boxes, boxes with satin or plush lining, is thirty-five per cent. For the past three or four years manufacturers of plated flat ware in the United States have been exporting that line of goods to Canada put up in plush and satin lined boxes, without extra charge, and on which duty is paid by the importer. We would therefore respectfully suggest that the duty on table flat ware, such as knives, forks, spoons, ladles and like articles, imported in boxes lined with plush, satin or similar material, be thirty-five per cent., and we think the request reasonable in view of the fact that we have to pay thirtyfrequest reasonable in view of the fact that we have to pay thirty-five per cent, duty on all the paper we import for the aforesaid boxes, and also thirty per cent, duty on the blush, silk or satin lining for the same. We also desire to call your attention to the fact that the duty on silver and gold plated ware is now thirty per that the analysis and collectors cent., but through misinterpretation by the appraisers and collectors in many of the ports of Canada, the duty on silver and gold plated coffin handles, coffin plates, screws and other plated ware used as trimmings on caskets have been ruled that they should be entered as parts of caskets at twenty-five per cent. duty although up to within two years the duty collected has been at thirty per cent. as plated ware. We are large manufacturers of coffin trimmings, and have heavy investments in moulds, dies and tools for the manufacture of the above lines, and hope you will consider the above complaint not only in our interest but in the interest of the several other companies who are manufacturing this line of goods in Canada, although perhaps not so extensively. We would like to see the duty exacted on the above line of goods, as

originally intended, as plated ware at thirty per cent."

Mesars. Boyd, Lees, Levy and Davis spoke upon the necessity of making diamonds free from duty, in view of the impossibility of preventing smuggling. To show the case with which diamonds could be smuggled, one of the gentlemen produced a paper containing \$20,000 worth of diamonds, which he took from his vest- Another witness said he had carried \$100,000 worth of diamonds in

his vest when buying in Antwerp and London.

Mr. Davis spoke of the necessity of protection for Canadian watch cases, and was questioned by Mr. Paterson regarding the merits of the American Watch Case Company and the Doll controversy.

Mr. George H. Lees volunteered the statement that he was prepared to pay full prices for the goods of the American Watch Case Company. He had handled lots of their watch cases and had always found them to be up to the guarantee.

### READY-MADE CLOTHING.

Senator W. E. Sanford, of the Sanford Manufacturing Company, who was accompanied by Mr. John Calder, of Messrs. J. Calder & Co., Hamilton, gave the Commissioners a splendid object lesson in ready-made clothing. He showed two coats—a Canadian coat guaranteed to wear from three to five years and wholesaled at \$3.75, and an American coat, made of cotton waste, worse than shoddy, and so made that it would not stand even wet weather. This coat was sold in New York at \$1.30. To keep this cheap clothing out and protect the people he asked that there be no. change in the tariff. The result of protection to the Canadian mills has brought about an immense change in values. tweeds as now made are not now to be excelled in value in any part of the world. He referred to the marked decrease in the

cost of goods in the past five years, made possible by the protective tariff and development of Canadian mills. The request was that the tariff in the matter of clothing should not be changed. In response to a question from Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. Sanford stated that in the clothing industry from 3,000 to 3,200 people were employed, and were paid about \$600,000 year in wages. He did not care to state just what the output of his factory was, but was backed by Mr. Calder in his statement that the factory turned out about twice as much work in a year as any other concern in Canada.

Mr. Sanford showed samples of military clothing, comparing

it also with a sample of English military clothing.

Mr. John Calder who accompanied Sonator Sanford, assured the Ministers that cloths were sold at the same prices for like weights by the mills without any understanding or agreement.

### NURSERY STOCK.

Mr. Edward Morris, representing Morris, Stone & Wellington of the Fonthill nurseries, gave reasons why the present duties on fruit trees should be maintained. He said that the business had increased during the past twenty years, but that over-production in the United States had so demoralized the trade that a removal of the tariff would drive the Canadian nurserymen out of the business, and would probably entail a loss of the money they had invested in it. A source of injury to the Canadian nurserymen and the Canadian farmers as well was the trade carried on by bogus dealers from the United States. Mr. Morris remarked that no duty was imposed by the United States on the large majority of the lines of nursery stock, but there was no exportation to the United States. That which passed between the two countries came from the United States to Canada.

Mr. Fielding—Why? Mr. Morris—Because there is not enough stock grown in Canada to leave a surplus.

Mr. Fielding-Therefore you have a market for all you can produce

Mr. Morris-Yes: all we want is a fair price.

Mr. Morris went on to say that the price in Canada was higher than in the United States, but the difference was not so great as the duty imposed under the tariff. His business, he said, did not

return two per cent, on the investment.

Mr. R. C. Brown, representing Brown Brown of Rochester, N.Y., and Ridgeville, Ont., made a statement. He began by asking that the twenty per cent. duty on small stock—grapovines, raspherries, blackberries, etc.-be raised, claiming that it was too low to afford an adequate protection.

Mr. Fielding - How will the farmer, who wants to buy these

goods, view this proposition?

Mr. Brown-I do not think he will have any objection to it, because it had been shown that when the duty is taken off the people buy the goods no cheaper. During the period when there was no duty on goods coming into Canada the price lists remained the same on this side. While the wholesale price of goods in Canada was now higher, goods are sold no higher at retail. can buy Canadian goods as cheap as American goods.

Mr. Fielding -You say if you take off these duties the goods

would not be changed in price?

Mr. Brown—Yes. Mr. Fielding—Mr. Morris has just told us that the price here was greater than in the United States.

Mr. Brown-He was talking about the wholesale price. There are no goods sold at wholesale to the consumers. Mr. Brown said that his firm had come to Canada to save the duty.

Mr. E. T. Smith advanced as an argument the probability that the nurserymen of the southern States would wipe out the Cana-

dian nurserymen if the duty were removed.

### THE FRUIT GROWERS.

A deputation of Canadian fruit growers was headed by Messrs. E. D. Smith of Winona, and D. J. McKinnon of Grimsby, Ont. Mr. Smith said that the fruit-growers interested had met and formulated the changes which they wished made in the tariff, and which were few. They were well satisfied with the fruit duties generated the changes where they arrived that the advalorements of the said valorements and realized that the advalorements of the said valorements and realized that the advalorements of the said valorements and realized that the said valorements are said to the said valorements and valorements are said to the said valorements and the said valorements are said to the said valorements and the said valorements are said to the said valorements. ally. In regard to plums and pears they asked that the ad valorem duties of twenty-five and twenty per cent. respectively be changed to a specific duty of one cent a pound. The growers also found that a great deal of Canadian fruit was driven out of the market by the importation of bananas. They therefore asked that an import duty of half a cent a pound be placed on bananas; also that a duty of two cents a pound be placed on dried peaches, a large quantity of which was imported. These changes, he said, were desired not only to protect the Ontario markets, but more particularly to retain the northwest market and that of other parts of the Dominion. Mr. Smith said that tons of grapes were left hanging on the vines this year on account of the importation from New

York State. If the Canadian growers had the home market to themselves they would be able to get along. Large amounts of money had been invested in fruit-growing in the belief that the

Canadian market would be retained for Canadians.

To Sir Richard Cartwright Mr. Smith said that the fruit crop of the United States, say as far south as New Jersey, was about two weeks earlier than in Ontario. That applied particularly to herries. New York herries were generally done before Oakville herries came in. In regard to plums there was not much difference

in time of marketing.

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Mr. McKinnon, following Mr. Smith, said the grape tax would be a tax on luxury only. It would apply only to the early grapes, which are consumed only by the rich. After the Canadian grapes come in they are sold as low as a cent a pound, while the duty is two cents. There was, therefore, no importation after the Canadian grapes came in. This argument, Mr. McKinnon said, applied only to parts where grapes are grown abundantly. In the Maritime Provinces grapes are sent in from the United States because that country has fast refrigorator car service, while the Canadian sorvice is slow and the grapes are apt to become "mussy." If there was a fast and efficient service it would be different. Mr. McKimnon asked that the Government bring about "reform, not revolution."

A FRUIT DEALERS VIEWS.

Mr. William Dixon, of Dixon Bros., fruit dealers, Hamilton, raised an objection to the proposed tariff on bananas, suggested by the fruit growers. He also argued against the present system of inspecting Malaga grapes. The duty on cranberries, he thought, should be lowered. He said he could not understand why the fruit growers were wanting protection against the United States in their line. A better thing for them would be reciprocity or free trade. UNDERTAKERS' SUPPLIES.

Mr. J. J. Evel, of Semmens and Evel, undertakers' supplies, Hamilton, asked that the duty on his raw and unfinished materials be reduced. The only things used in the manufacture of collins purchased outside of Canada were the things not to be procured in Canada, and it was on those things a duty was being levied. In reply to a question from Mr. Fielding, Mr. Evel said that he did not fear American competition, and would be satisfied if there All he wanted was a reducwas no duty on the American coffin. tion on the raw material.

### IMPORTED ROOFING SLATE.

The duty on slate was a subject which Mr. James Finlay, a Hamilton contractor, brought to the Commissioners' attention. He said the duty used to be eighty cents per square, but it was subsequently changed to twenty per cent. Ad valorem, and at the last revision was fixed at thirty per cent. He asked that the duty again be reduced to twenty per cent. The source of supply was chiefly in the United States. There was one quarry in Quebec, but the material, he said, is of inferior quality.

### MAGIC LANTERN SLIDES.

The camera section of the Hamilton Association, represented by Mr. S. Briggs and Mr. Eastwood, explained the system under which lantern slides are interchanged between Canadian and American members of the lantern slide interchange. Slides coming into Canada are subjected to a duty of twenty-five per cent. The deputation asked that the slides be allowed to enter Canada free of duty, as they were not a revenue-making investment, but were purely educational, and, after being exhibited in Canada, were returned to the United States or other foreign countries.

### THE COPYRIGHT LAW.

Mr. R. T. Laucefield laid before the Commissioners a memorandum urging that section 780 of the customs act be amended so as to prohibit the importation of works of which the copyright is subsisting in the United Kingdom, which have also been copyrighted in Canada, but which have been printed or reprinted out of the United Kingdom. Such amendment would make the customs act conform more clearly to the intent of section six of the Canadian copyright act, by prohibiting the importation of Canadian copyrighted works printed elsewhere than in the United Kingdom. The memorandum presented by Mr. Lancefield was signed by Messrs. Buntin, Gillies and Company, paper makers, and by the proprietors of the leading printing offices in Hamilton.

### WHOLESALE GROCERS.

The Wholesale Grocers' Guild of Hamilton appeared before the Commissioners to ask that the imposts on several important articles of food be reduced. The deputation was composed of Messrs. Alex. Turner, of James Turner & Co., H. N. Kittson, of W. H. Gillard & Co., St. Clair Balfour, of Balfour & Co., T. H. Macpherson, M. P., of Macpherson Glass Company, G. E. Bristol, of Lucas, Steele & Bristol, and A. F. Wood, M. P., of Wood, Val-

lance & Co. Mr. Bristol presented the views of the grocers to the Ministers. He first called their attention to the duty on rice, an article of large consumption in Canada. There were, he said, only two cleaning mills in Canada, one in Montreal and another in Vancouver, controlled by the same people. Grocers could get rice in England hid down in Hamilton for 11s. 9d. per hundred weight, which was equal to 2.56 conts per pound. Taking the duty on uncleaned rice, which was thirty conts a hundred, that would make the figure 2.86 a pound. A similar rice in Montreal would cost 4.50 cents a pound, which made a difference in favor of the English price, allowing for the duty, of sixty-eight per cent. mill mon wore of the opinion that they were entitled to a certain protection, the grocers thought this was too much. The present The present duty is 11 cents a pound on cleaned rice, and on uncleaned rice three-tenths of a cent.

Mr. Turner said that his firm had imported some "B" rice. for which the Montreal price was 27-8 cents a pound, at a figure below that amount. Little of this cheaper grade of rice was imported because of the high duty.

Mr. Bristol mentioned the case of syrups next. He said that

since the present duty had been imposed on syrups the wholesale grocers had not been able to supply their customers. There was only one refinery in Canada making syrups—the Acadia--and it had being offering only bright syrup until lately. Latterly it had turned out a dark syrup. On a common syrup, selling in New York for ten cents a wine gallon, the duty would be equal to ninety per cent. On another grade of syrup, worth in New York sixteen cents a wine gallon, or 19.20 cents an Imperial gallon, the duty would be 9.90 cents. Not only had the refiners enjoyed this high protection but the grocers have not been able to get the syrup from them. It was only lately that they had been able to get any dark syrup in Canada. The high duty had done the refiner no good and it had been an injury to the consumers. Because of high prices and the absence of syrup from the market many farmers were boiling down sugar and making their own syrup. The grocors thought the protection on syrup was excessive. They asked that the duty be reduced that they might have access to other markets. Then Mr. Bristol spoke of the molasses duty. At present, he said, it was largely one of test. A grocer now had to send samples of molasses to Ottawa to have it The duty was 17 cents a gallon when testing by polariscope forty degrees or over, and for every degree less than one cent a gallon in addition. On behalf of the grocers he urged that the test, which occasioned trouble and expense, he lone away with, and that a uniform duty be imposed.

The next article mentioned was sugar. Mr. Bristol said that the grocers were of the opinion that the protection given to the refineries was too great. Their granulated sugar was always good and plentiful, but their other sugars were sometimes good and sometimes the reverse. He claimed that the grocers had not been able to get from the refiners the sugars that were desired by the Yellow sugar was at this time in demand in many households and there was only one refinery making it. Ten days ago merchants could not even get that sugar. Considering that there were four hundred million pounds of sugar imported into the country in 1895, they were of the opinion that the protection of sixty-four-hundredths of a cent should be reduced in the interest of the people. The refiners had not only a monopoly of manufacturing but of speculating in sugar as well. They had control of the whole market, and the grocers had to take what they gave them, whether they felt like it or not. Mr. Bristol suggested that the duty on show cards which foreign manufacturers used to send into Capada he reduced.

into Canada be reduced.

Mr. Balfour informed the Ministers that at present there is a specific duty on raisins and currents, and an ad valorem duty on dates and figs. He asked that a specific instead of an ad valorem duty be imposed on dates and figs and like articles of food. He pointed out that there were two or three concerns in the Dominion making a line of goods the result was that one or two brands were turned out which the grocers had to handle at no profit at all. They wanted to be able to buy where they chose. They desired

to carry on business as merchants, and not merely as agents.

Mr. Bristol stated that at a meeting of the wholesale grocers of the Dominion recently held in Toronto, a resolution was passed declaring that the protective duty on sugar was too high, and appealing to the Government to reduce it. The meeting was unanimous, with the exception of four gentlemen from Montreal, who

wer opposed to it.

### A GRAIN BUYER.

Mr. James Dunlop, grain buyer and miller, of Hamilton, asked the Ministers to take temptation out of the way of those who might be weak enough to yield to it. The corn duty, he said, was an incentive to men to break the law. He paid 7½ cents a bushel on ordinary corn when it was to be used for feeding purposes.

Yellow and white corn came in free when used for seed. When he ground corn into meal for human food he got a relate of ninoty per cont. of the duty. Now, if a person came along and wanted to buy corn for feeding purposes and he happened to be out of it, the temptation to break the law by giving him what he had in stock was great.

Another anomaly mentioned by Mr. Dunlop was that seed corn was cheaper under this arrangement of the duty than feed corn, and in consequence people had been known to feed seed corn to their chickens. He suggested that seed corn be taxed as well as feed corn, and that the provision as to to the relate be continued.

Mr. W. O. Seeley, of Hamilton, who is not now a farmer, suggested that if the tariff could not be so arranged as to increase the price of wheat the farmer had to sell it, it be so reduced as to lessen the cost of what he had to buy. Farmers were in very much worse circumstances to-day than ten or twenty years ago. the manufacturers had prospered under the high tariff, they had done so at the expense of the farmers. If protection was a good thing for the manufacturer it should be an equally good thing for the laborer, and if the manufacturer was to be protected in the way of increased price for the goods supplied to the laborers and expeet the laborers to compete with the labor markets of the world it was to the disadvantage of the latter, and if a retaliatery tariff were good for the manufacturer surely a retaliatory labor law would be good for the laborer. Mr. Seeley said that he was a farmer until five years ago, but the business became so dull that he had to rent his farms and take a situation. If the outlook unproved he would return to the farm.

### CANADIAN SEEDS.

Messrs, F. C. Bruce and Robert Evans, representing seed interests, asked that the present duties on seeds be allowed to continue. Canadian seed was superior in quality to American, and the wholesale introduction of American seeds would work harm to the farmers, whose crops would thus be injured.

### THOSE WHO WERE UNHEARD.

When the hour arrived for the closing of the investigation at Hamilton, there were quite a number of manufacturers of that city who had not been heard, but they promised that they would send a memoranda of their views to the Commissioners at Ottawa. Included in these were the Gurney Scale Co., the Westinghouse Mfg. Co., the Hand Fireworks Co., G. T. Sim: on and R. S. Wallace.

The next scance of the Commission was to be held at Brantford, Ont.

### THE TARIFF COMMISSION AT BRANTFORD.

The Tariff Commission held a session at Brantford, Ont., on December 3rd. WIRE NAILS.

Mr. J. E. Waterous, speaking for the Waterous Nail Works, expressed his entire satisfaction with the tariff upon that commodity. He told the Commissioners that if the tariff were reduced the nailmakers would have to close their factories, as they could not hold their own against the manufacturers of the United States. At the present time things were in such a state owing to the failure of the nail trust in the United States that the market was flooded with nails by jobbers who had large stocks on hand. If the Americans were to get into this country with their nails they would simply make a slaughter market of it. Mr. Waterous said that nails were very cheap in Canada now. A single pound of nails could be bought for four cents, or by the hundred pounds at from three to 31 cents. The duty on wire, the raw material of the nailmaker, is twenty-five per cent., and on nails one cent a pound. Mr. Waterous suggested that if the tariff was to be adjusted, it be adjusted on the raw material as well as the finished articles. He said that he was aware that there was a combination among the nailmakers, but he was not a member of it. Efforts had been made to induce him to enter the combine, but he could not see anything in it for himself. When he declined to go in they tried to get control of his factory by leasing it and shutting it up. They offered to pay him for remaining idle, but he would not yield. Then they came with greater inducements on the same line, but Mr. Waterous could not see any great advantage that would come to him out of the combine which had given him very severe competition. When he opened his factory in Brantford merchants in the city were offered a five per cent. discount more than was allowed the customers in outside places.

### IRON MACHINERY.

Mr. C. H. Waterous, of the Waterous Engine Co., Brantford, expressed to the Commissioners his concurrence with what had been said to them at Hamilton, by Mr. John Bertram, of Messrs.

John Bertram & Sons, of Dundas, Ont. He did not expect to get raw materials free when the manufactured product was taxed. Some measure of protection ought to be granted to enable mining machinery to be manufactured in Camada, especially as there was a duty on pig iron, har iron, and steel. This fact would militate against the development of the manufacture of mining machinery were such machinery allowed to come in free. There were establishments in Camada that could turn out a large portion of the mining machinery required. Orders for such machinery, if received now, could be filled in the spring. He was preparing to engage in that kind of work.

### PLOWS.

Mr. Henry Cockshutt, of the Cockshutt Plow Company, and Mr. R. H. Verity, of the Verity Plow Company, both of Brantford, showed the Commissioners that the raw materials used by them in their manufacture are excessively taxed. The materials entering into the construction of a plow for the Minnitoba trade, which sells wholesale at Brantford for \$10, bears duty of sixty-four cents. The freight rate to Winnipeg is seventy-live cents a hundred pounds, which makes the plow cost at that point \$11.39. The American plow, for which the regular wholesale price at Minneapolis is \$10, sells for the western Canadian trade at \$9. The dety of twenty per cent, amounts to \$1.80 on the plow and the freight rate to Winnipeg is only forty-five cents, which makes the value of the plow at Winnipeg \$11.25. Theze is, therefore, a difference against the Canadian manufacturer of fourteen cents on the western plow. Mr. Cockshutt said that with freer trade, including free raw materials, he would be satisfied.

Mr. Verity handed to Mr. Fielding the invoice of an importa-

Mr. Verity handed to Mr. Fielding the invoice of an importation of nuts used in plow-making, which cost \$489.85 and on which the duty was \$320.14, or seventy per cent. Fuel oil is largely used in place of coal oil. The duty is three cents a gallon, and last year, when the commodity was cheaper than at present, it represented 100 per cent.

### STOVES.

Mr. William Buck, of the William Buck Stove Company, concurred in everything that Mr. J. C. Copp had said to the Commission in Hamilton. As a manufacturer of stoves he thought that pig iron should be free. The Dominion Government now paid the blast furnace people \$2.25 a ton bounty and the Ontario Government \$1.12 a ton on reduced ores. The people of Canada seemed to be willing to pay the bonus. He had never bought any Canadian iron without paying the duty of \$4.48. He had made an effort to get the Hamilton and Nova Scotia men to divide the duty with him, but they could not see it in that way. He advocated the abolition of the duty, and if necessary the increase of the bounty on pig iron. Speaking generally of the trade conditions in the country, he said that it was not so much a question of the Canadian manufacturers not being able to stand on their own feet, and not so much that the Americans had come in here and cut prices, as that this was a very limited market. If equitable trade relations were established between Canada and the United States he thought Canada could hold her own. Canadians were, in his opinion, as smart as Americans. He was inclined to think that he was about as well protected under the 17½ per cent, tariff of 1878 as he was under the present duty of 27½ per cent, with a heavy impost on his raw material. This opinion he expressed subject to the explanation that he had not gone into the figures. He thought that the manufacture of pig iron should have been deferred until there was a population of ten millions in Canada.

### CARPET YARNS.

Mr. Joseph Ruddy, Secretary of the Slingsby Manufacturing Company, makers of yarns and blankets, handed to the Commissioners a written statement, which he requested should not be publicly read. He supplemented the statement by quoting figures to disprove the statements made to the Commission by the carpet manufacturers at Toronto. His firm made yarns for the manufacture of carpets, and it was not correct to say that the duty on the finished carpets was not equal to that on yarns which formed their raw material. He gave figures with a view of showing that the carpet manufacturers enjoyed ample protection at present, even if they had to import American yarns and pay the duty. They did not have to do that, however, because the price of Canadian yarns was less than the American with the duty aided. Mr. Ruddy made a contrast upon the cost per square yard of American and Canadian carpet, that the statement made by the carpet manufacturers that they had no protection was erroneous. They had this protection that they had referred to. The Slingsby Company would be in favor of reducing the duty upon their goods, because they were of opinion that the present duty was unnecessarily high. They imported their wools to make carpet yarns. They employed about ninety hands just now, and one-

fourth of them were male workers. Men earn from \$1 to \$2, and the women from sixty cents to \$1.25. Boys get from \$3 per week to \$5. They would average ninety cents a day and work ten hours.

Mr. Charles Duncan, a carpet importer, also took exception to the statements of the Toronto manufacturers. The cheaper carpets used by the poorer people, he said, paid the heaviest duty. The Dundee carpets, made in Dundee, Scotland, were charged thirty per cent., which was a pretty high one. The story that carpets sent into Canada from the United States were old goods dumped upon our markets, and which were poor goods in the United States, was not true. The manufacturers had said this, but it was not true. The duty upon union and wool carpets was too high, and he would like to see a reduction. He would recommend a duty of twenty per cent. on jute carpets, and an ad valorem duty of twenty-five per cent. upon all other carpets outside of jute. He would do away with any specific duties. A twenty-five per cent. duty would be ample protection for any carpet-maker in Canada. He had not much to say about furniture. The rate of thirty per cent, was rather high. They might be satisfied with a twenty-five per cent, duty. Many of these furniture makers had told him that they would be able to get along and compete with the United States if there was free trade between the countries.

### STARCH

The starch manufacturers assured the Commission that they could not stand any reduction in duty. The delegation was composed of Messrs. George Foster, D. Lowrey, A. Robertson, and A. Murray of the Brantford Starch Company; George F. Benson and J. D. Reid, M.P., of the Edwardsburg Starch Company; A Hutcheson and J. Gray of the St. Lawrence Starch Company, of Port Credit. Mr. Foster made a statement in behalf of the delegation, requesting that the Government give the starch manufacturers no less a degree of protection than was granted at present. The duty had been reduced to such an extent that it would not allow of any further reduction if the manufacturers were to continue to operate their factories. Previous to 1879 the duty on starch was two cents a pound, with corn on the free list. From 1879 until 1894 the duty on starch was two cents a pound, with corn taxed at the rate of 7½ cents a bushel. In 1894 the duty on starch was reduced to 1½ cents a pound, and corn was allowed to remain at 7½ cents a bushel. The duty on a starch selling at 4½ cents a pound equals thirty-three per cent.

### SPICES

Mr. R. M. Fullerton of the Snowdrift Baking Powder and Spice Manufacturing Company, Brantford, asked for more protection on spices. The duty on raw ginger, cloves and articles of this kind was 12½ per cent., and on the finished product it was twenty-five per cent. There was apparently a protection of 12½ per cent., but it was more apparent than real. The protection, he claimed, should amount to twenty or twenty-five per cent. He pointed out the expense the firm was put to in purchasing sixty-five degrees over proof alcohol at \$4.10 a gallon, used in the preparation of this product.

### WAGGONS AND CARRIAGES.

Mr. T. H. Wiley, speaking on behalf of the Brantford Carriage Company, expressed satisfaction with the present duties on their finished product. He submitted an invoice of screws imported from the United States, showing that on a purchase of \$176 the duty amounted to \$132.80, about eighty per cent. That same invoice, he said, if purchased in Canada, would cost \$25.85. Reducing twelve-and one-half per cent., which was the wholesalers' profit, it would have cost \$285. The cost of the American screws, including duty, was \$309. He was buying these screws cheaper in the United States and paying eighty per cent. duty than he could get them in Canada. The duties on bolts and nuts figured up to forty and fifty per cent., while the manufacturer of wheels, bent wood and shafts got his raw material in free, he had a protection of thirty-five per cent. on his finished articles. Mr. Wiley asked for relief on his raw material.

Representatives of the Brantford Waggon Company of Woodstock; the Chatham Manufacturing Company, Chatham; Adams and Sons, Paris; Speight Wagon Company, Markham; the Snowhall Manufacturing Company, Saint George; the Woodstock Waggon Manufacturing Company; the William Milner Manufacturing Company, and John E. Patterson of London formed a deputation of waggon-makers, who asked the Government not to disturb the present duty of twenty-five per cent. The duty formerly was \$10 per wagon and twenty-five per cent.

### SLATE AND GRANITE.

goods, because they were of opinion that the present duty was unnecessarily high. They imported their wools to make carpet Brantford, dealers in roofing and other kinds of slate, stated that yarns. They employed about ninety hands just now, and one-

is seventy-five cents per square on black slate and muety cents on all other colors. He suggested that slate blackboards for schools be admitted free and that the duty on slab be placed at twenty per cent., or not to exceed forty cents per square.

Mr. Joseph Read, marble cutter, wanted the duty removed from American granite. He said that the marble cutters could stand free trade with the United States and make money.

Messrs. R. J. and Frank Smith, representing James Smith, Son and Company, expressed their satisfaction with the existing duty of thirty per cent. on saddlery. Saddlery hardware is 321 per cent., and they thought the duties on the finished product and the raw material might be made uniform.

### DRY GOODS IMPORTERS.

The dry goods trade was heard from through Mr. E. D. Crompton of the firm of Crompton, Appelbee and Company. He suggested that it would be a matter of convenience to the trade and benefit to the public if the specific duties on woolens, manufactured clothing, buttons, haberdashery and hosiery were wiped out, and that ad valorem duties only were applied.

### THE WINE INDUSTRY.

The Ontario wine industry was represented by Messrs. E. Girardot, Sandwich; J. S. Hamilton of the Pelee Island Wine Company, Brantford; R. L. Haskins of the Haskins Wine Company, Hamilton; and George Barnes, St. Catharines, presented a grievance with respect to the use of spirits in the fortification of wines. French wines entering Canada under treaty are fortified up to twenty-six degrees overproof, whilst the native Canadian wines are only fortified up to sixteen degrees. Owing to the high price of spirits for fortifying, the wine-growers in this country cannot use them advantageously in order to come up to the standard. Several suggestions were therefore made to local growers to meet foreign competition. It was suggested that the provisions of the French treaty, in so far as the importation of wine is concerned, be rescinded, or that the domestic growers be permitted to fortify sweet wines up to twenty-six degrees. The deputation stated that the impression was that they enjoyed a protection of twenty-five cents a gailon. In reality the protection was only nine cents, by reason of the high price paid for spirits.

Messrs. W. K. Hallarn and H. B. Gardner, Brantford, manufacturers of eigars, asked that the \$6 excise duty on tolacco be reduced to SI, and that the duty on Havana cigars be raised. This, Mr. Gardner said, would give the Government as much revenue as is now collected, and skilled cigarmakers will be given employment in the manufacture of ten-cent goods. Another reason advanced by Mr. Gardner was that the Culan makers had subscribed \$50,000 for the Spanish Government, in return for which the Spanish Government had prohibited the exportation of The imposition of a higher duty on Havana cigars would compel the Cubans to send their unmanufactured tolacco here, as they would not be liable to send in any but their best lines of cigars. Mr. Hallarn, who is a dealer as well as a manfacturer, advocated a change in the system of licensing cigar manufacturers. At present all factories, great and small, are charged \$75. He claimed that this system imposed a heavy burden on the small factory, while it occasioned no particular inconvenience to the large one. He suggested that a fee be graded according to the size of factory upon the principle that the malisters are now dealt with, and that licenses ranging in price from \$30 to \$200 ke issued. He suggested that a duty of \$4.50 he imposed on cigars, and that the departmental regulation requiring the destruction of eigar boxes after they are empty be rescinded.

An evasion of the law was called to the attention of the Ministers by Mr. John Mann of John Mann and Sons, coal dealers of Brantford. He said that there had been considerable want of uniformity in the prices paid in duty on slack eval or soit coal screenings. Slack coal pays a duty of but twenty-five per cent., while on the soft coal the duty is sixty cents a ton. The complaint was that some dealers had to pay sixty cents per ton duty on coal that was passed as screenings for others, and this placed them on a hasis of inequality. Mr. Mann favored the abolition of all duty on soft coal.

### A FARMER'S EVIDENCE

Mr. Thomas A. Good, farmer, of the township of Brantford. though not appearing in a representative capacity, addressed the Tariff Commissioners in behalf of the agricultural community. Mr. Good made out a case in favor of such a revision of the tariff as will place the consuming masses in a better position. He began

by saying that he had no quarrel with any body or class of individuals, but he did quarrel with the majority of the people for putting in a Conservative Government year after year to enforce a protective tariff. He made it plain that he was not finding fault with the late Government for having given the country protection. That was what they were elected for, and if they had given the people free trade instead of protection they would be recreant to their promise. The Liberal Government had been put in power for the purpose of reducing the tariff and giving the consumers relief. If they did not do that they would be recreant to their promise. Mr. Good exhibited to the Ministers Bengough's cartoon depicting the National Policy as a huge elephant. He likened the policy to a devil-fish fastching its tentacles upon the country, or a vampire sucking the life's blood out of the country. The farmers in his part of the country, he declared, were almost ruined and land had depreciated fifty per cent. in value. There was a farm three miles from his place which a few years ago would have been considered cheapat \$70 an acre. Three years ago the owner ran away from it because there was upon it a mortgage of \$30 an acre. There were farmers around his district who could scarcely make both ends meet, though they and their families worked fourteen and fifteen hours a day—from four o'clock in the morning until dark at night. "We want relief, and I want to show how I consider we can get relief," said Mr. Good. "I want to see the duties on iron of all kinds, more especially on raw material, taken off. We have a duty of \$4 a ton on pig iron and \$10 a ton on har iron. This handicaps our manufacturers.

"We have been given a protective duty of twenty per cent. on agricultural implements, but that will not compensate for the impost on their raw material. Who pays that duty? It is the men who buy agricultural implements. You make iron free and I will almost guarantee that the Waterous, or any other iron manufacturing company, will be able to compete with the Americans. Is it fair to the settlers in the North-West that they should be compelled to pay these enormous duties in addition to the large freight rates exacted from them? We would not need

to pay the twenty per cent. duty if we had free iron." Mr. Good went on to point out that the tariff discriminated against the poor man, and he instanced the duty of 50½ per cent, on the low grade blanket of the poor man, whereas the high grade article is taxed 457-S per cent. He also illustrated the point by mentioning the case of window shades. The duty is thirty per cent., but not less than five cents a square yard. An importer in Brantford bought a cheap line of shades costing ten cents a piece. They were ten yards in size and the duty was ten cents, or 190 per cent. The duty on a fifty cent shade would be fifteen cents, and one costing a dollar thirty cents. Mr. Good told the Ministers that he was interested in observing the solicitude of the porkpackers and millers for the farmer in their representation to the Commission at Toronto in favor of maintaining duties. The millers have said that they paid the Canadian farmer more than the American farmer for wheat. The Canadian farmer, they had declared, had lifteen cents a bushel protection on wheat.

Mr. Good took up last week's market report and quoted some very suggestive figures. White wheat, which was the same as the Canadian wheat, sold at Detroit at ninety-three cents cash. At Toronto the street price for white wheat was 871 cents to eightyeight cents. Mr. Good could not understand where the protection came in. The millers should have said the farmer more for his wheat, not eighty-eight cents, but \$1.08. There was a duty of ten cents a bushel on oats, but when oats were selling at Brantford for fifteen cents a bushel they were bringing twenty cents at Detroit

Coming now to the question of pork, he said that the packers were especially solicitous to keep the duty of \$1.50 a hundred-weight on live hogs, and last week live hogs sold at Toronto at from 3 5-8 cents to 57 cents a pound, in Buffalo they sold for \$1.00 live weight. That was lifteen cents under the Toronto price, but it must be borne in mind that the Canadian farmer had \$1.50 but it must be harne in mind that the Canadian farmer had \$1.50 of a protection. Adding \$5.60 and \$1.50, the result was \$5.10. If the farmers were protected the packers should have paid them \$5.10. These men must think the farmers were all fools, and he would say that they had proved themselves to be such in the mast on the tariff question. Mr. Good recommended, in the interest of the manufacturer, that corn be added to the free list. "The Liberal Government," he said, "was put in power last June to give us tariff reform, and if they don't give us tariff reform there will be a kick at the next election." Mr. Good advocated the abolition of the duty of 73 cents a bushel on corn in the interest of stock tion of the duty of 74 cents a hushel on corn in the interest of stock feeding. We have to send our cattle and pork away to be sold and we want cheap food to enable us to compete with the Americaus, Australians and others in the European markets. He denied the statement made by Mr. Fearman that the packing industry was a necessary adjunct to the dairy industry.

## CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY.

The following items of information, which are classified under the title "Cap-

tains of industry," relate to matters that are of special interest to every advertiser in these pages, and to every concern in Canada interested in any manufacturing industry whatever, this interest extending to supply houses also.

If a new manufacturing enterprise of any kind is being started, or an electric lighting plant instituted, or an electric railroad, or a telephone, or a telegraph line is being constructed; or a saw mill, a woolen, cotton, or knitting mill; or if any industrial establishment has been destroyed by fire with a probability of its being in line of the power motor; and the possibly there may be something in works. Toronto, six horse-power motor. It rebuilt, our friends should understand that possibly there may be something in the event for them. Do you catch on to the idea?

The starting of any such concern means a demand for some sort of machines, machinery, or supplies, such as steam engines and boilers, shafting, pulloys, belting, lubricants, machinery supplies, wood or iron working machinery, ventilating and drying apparatus; pumps, valves, packing, dynamos, motors, wire, are and Co.'s machine incandescent lamps, and an infinite variety of electrical supplies, chemicals, acids, manufacture, alkalies, etc. It is well worth the while of every reader of the Canadian Manufacture. Toronto Electrical turer to closely inspect all items under the head of Captains of Industry.

The Willson Carbide Works Company of St. Catharines, Ont., have been incorporated with a capital stock of \$200,000.

The Mica Boiler Covering Company, Toronto, have opened a branch in Montreal at 22 St. John street; A. R. Bostwick, agent.

very rich ore has already been made, and the development of the mine, within the limited time since the find, proves it to be one of the richest of the kind in the pro- of the Nonsuch Manufacturing Company. vince.

The Toronto Tire Company, Toronto, is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000.

An exploring party was fitted out in October by the Owen's Lumber Company of Montebello, Que., to examine the mineral deposits on their limits, near Lake Innecthaka. They struck two veins, carrying asbestos in large quantities. Regular operations of the Indian American Struck of Indian In tions have been carried on since the find, on from this firm; Granly Last Manufacturing 1001, and only require tempering and sharp-one of the discoveries. A large output of Co., Granly, Que., eight horse-power motor; jening.

Berlin Gas Co., Berlin, Ont., one motor; Range Cycle Co., Toronto, one motor; R. Anderson, Ottawa, thirty-five light dynamo; W. J. Fletcher, Alliston, Ont., thirty light dynamo; two dynamos and one motor to A. Works, Toronto, six horse-power motor. It might be mentioned here that a practical test has been made by Prof. Rosebrugh of the School of Practical Science, Toronto, between one of the Toronto Electric Motor Co.'s machines and one of United States manufacture. This test showed that the Toronto Electric Motor Co.'s machine did the same work as the United States machine with less than one third the current.

The Ontario Radiator Company, Toronto, During the month of December the Tor- is being incorporated with a capital stock of onto Electric Motor Company, Toronto, have \$300,000.

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The Packard Electric Co., St. Catharines, Ont., inform us that owing to their rapidly growing business, they will during the com ing summer double the capacity of their plant for the manufacture of electric lamps and transformers. They say that their business thus far this season is one hundred and fifty per cent. greater than it was for the corresponding season a year ago. Their transformers have been brought up to the highest stage of perfection, and in efficiency, core loss and regulation, they are the equal of any in the market. They report that the sale of their Scheeffer wat meters as being very large.

The Royal Electric Co., Montreal, are intracts have already been secured for about St. John. 200 lights, and also for one motor to run of

in 1799, B. Greening, founder of the business in Hamilton in 1859, and S. O. Greening, president of the present company.

Nova Scotia's only paper mill, that at Hartsville, on the line of railway between Windsor Junction and Windsor, and on t h St. Croix river, was opened but a few months ago and seems to be doing a brisk business. It is known by the name of the St. Croix Mill. It is owned by H. McC. It is known by the name of the Hart, formerly a lumberman and manufacturer of wood purp at Sheet Harbor. The products of the mill are wrapping papers, box board, cardboard, paper barrel heads, etc. The sulphite consumed comes from Chatham, N.B., mills, and the ground pulp stalling an electric lighting plant for Wm. from the mill at Sheet Harbor. In the Irving, of Sundridge, Ont. They are furnishing one of their latest type two phase the St. Croix near the paper mill. Most of 'S.K.C." twenty-five K.W. dynamos. Conthe output of the mill is sold in Halifax and

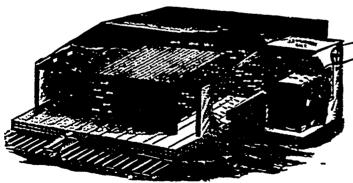
The River Range Oil Company, Toronto, is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$10,000 The B. Greening Wire Company, Hamilton, Ont., have sent us their office calendar for 1897. To say that it is fully equal to any sent out by them in previous years would be saying a good deal. We are pleased in saying that this, in our opinion, is the best yet sent out by this concern. They have retained the clear bold type that can be seen across any ordinary sized office, using the blank spaces for advertising the goods they manufacture, such as wire rope, wire chain, wire cloth, perforated metal, etc. Three portraits are given of Nathaniel Greening, founder of the present business in England of the present business to present business to present business to present busin The B. Greening Wire Company, Hamil- eight feet, engine house thirty-six by timity,

power is supplied by the sixty horse power Wheelock engine, and a seventy-five horse power boiler, and the total cost in round figures is \$12,000. The whole going to make the best and most complete thirty-six barrel roller mill that stands in Canada today. The surrounding farmers bonused the mill to the extent of \$2,500, and to those they exchange wheat that grades sixty pounds to the bushel, thirty-five pounds S. B. flour, ten pounds brain and three pounds shorts. The mill is owned by Percy B. Cunliffe, a young Scotchman.

The following Ontario mining com-panies are being incorporated: The Ego Mining Company, London, capital stock, \$1,000,000; Queen Bee Gold Mining Company, of Ottawa, capital stock, \$1,000,000; The Golden Goblin Mining Company of Ontario, Toronto, capital stock, \$500,000; The Western Canada Gold Mines Company, The Edmonton Herald publishes the fellowing description of the new flour mill at Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta:—The building is thirty-two by forty feet and forty-two feet high, and has besides a stone basement of eight feet, engine house thirty-six by thirty,

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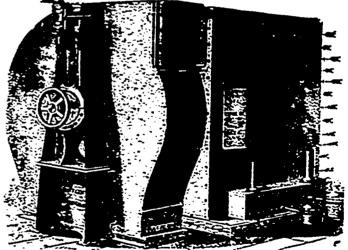
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An estimate of the quantity of logs that will be taken out in the Georgian Bay district this winter for rafting to Michigan points places the amount at 175,000,000 feet.

The St. John, N.B., shipments of lumber to South American ports during 1896 exceeded by far those of any recent season. Some 12,000,000 feet of lumber have been exported to River Platte and other ports.

The McGregor, Gourlay Company and Goldie & McCulloch Company, Galt, Ont., will supply the machinery for Mr. D. Hibner's furniture factory, which is being rebuilt at Berlin to replace that burned some time ago.

Mr. James Gow's new carpet factory in uelph, Ont., is about completed. The Guelph, Ont., is about completed. I looms will be in operation in a few days.

The Dominion Dyewood and Chemical Company, Toronto, have sent us an aluminum desk calendar pad which we shall esteem as much for its beauty as for its usefulness. This company certainly hit upon an effective perpetual advertisement in sending out this useful article with their sending out this useful article with their labels. John Perkins' foundry, Toronto, was name cast in the aluminum frame into which ad mfinitum.

The Canniff Prairie Fire Guard Company, Winnipeg, Man., has been incorporated.

The ratepayers of Guelph, Ont., will vote on a by-law on January 4th, for the issuing of debentures to the extent of \$20,000, to establish a civic electric light plant.

Frank Monger's turning factory, at Union, Ont., was destroyed by fire a few days

E. B. Dolloff's sash and door factory at

John Perkins' foundry, Toronto, was a new rad may be placed from year to year damaged by fire Dec. 21st, to the extent of \$11,000.

Messrs. I. Matheson & Co., New Glasgow, N.S., recently shipped two car-loads of mining machinery to Rossland, B.C.

Carleton Place, Ont., has voted \$20,000 to the C.P.R. Company towards the erection there of permanent and extensive work shops.

Mr. C. D. Fuller's grain elevator at Aylmer, Ont., was burned Dec. 15th. Loss, SS,000.

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Mr. R. E. T. Pringle, Montreal, agent for the Packard Electric Co., Ltd., of St. Catharines, Ont., has recently opened a large store at No. 216 St. James St., Montreal. Mr. Pringle's largely increased business has necessitated this, as well as affording greater convenience for his customers, and enabling him to carry a large stock of all kinds of electrical material. Besides carrying a full line of Packard lamps, transformers and Scheef. fer meters, he will also have a complete stock of Phillips' insulated wire, and both weatherproof and cotton covered magnet wire. Mr. Pringle is also agent for the Toronto Electric Motor Co., and will have a time was consumed in dismantling and boxfull line of motors on hand constantly. He will also handle the well-known supplies made by the Bryant Electric Co., of Bridgeport, Conn., and in fact, have everything in stock required for lighting and power installations. Mr. Pringle is fortunate in having one of the best located electrical stores in Montreal, and will no doubt largely increase his business.

The Brantford Ont. Electric and Operating Co. have purchased from the Royal Electric Co., Montreal, and now have in operation in their station a 150 K.W.

S. K. C." two phase alternating current dynamo. This company had a number of serious misfortunes with its lighting appara-

there quickly. The order was given to the of Buffalo, who is very well known among Montreal, had to be dismantled and boxed, shipped to Brantford and there unboxed and ing at Montreal and unboxing and setting up in Brantford. It is the intention of the Brantford Electric and Operating Co. to in the future furnish power from the two phase system. In this they are following the lead of a number of the best companies in Canada, who have decided that the power transmission of the future would be by poly-phase, and not direct current. This "S.K.C." dynamo was purchased under the new management of the Brantford Electric and Operating Co., and shows unmistakably that they are prepared to remain in the front rank of the electrical business.

The Buffalo Forge Co. are exceedingly gratified with an unsolicited testimonial that tus, and desired a new machine delivered they have received from Capt. John Green,

Royal Electric Co., on December 5th. at lake vessel owners. Capt. Green says: "In five p.m., and on Friday, December 11th, the accepting of your forced draft plant in the dynamo was furnishing light to the City of steamer Lewiston, I take great pleasure in Brantford. It was ready for operation in a stating that the outlit is more than satisfac-little more than five days after the order was tory. The results have more than surpassed given. It was set up in running order in our most sanguine expectations. The saving the factory of the Royal Electric Co., in per trip from Chicago to Buffalo and return is from fifteen to twenty tons of coal, which very soon repaid the cost of the plant. addition to this, the speed of the boat has been increased a quarter to half a mile per hour over the best previous time. This increase in speed is due to the fact that there is no variation in steam in cleaning fires. The application of the forced draft outlit to the boiler plant has also had the result of obtaining greater steaming capacity of the boilers. I can heartily recommend this system of mechanical draft for lake boats to anyone."

Mr. James Lochrie, Toronto, manufacturer of the celebrated Anteloge bicycles, has just returned from a business trip to Europe, while away he was made sole agent for Canada for Messrs. Perry & Co., of England, for their celebrated bicycle chains and parts. The addition of the business growing out of this agency, and the use of the Perry chains, etc., in the Antelope bicycle by Mr. Lochrie, will no doubt add very meuh to his already well established reputation.

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The Mica Boiler Covering Company, Toronto, recently received a duplicate order from the C.P.R. Co., to equip a large number of locomotives with mica covering.

On December 17th, fire destroyed the dry kilns of the British Columbia Cooperage Companyat Victoria, B.C. Loss \$5,000.

The two large train loads of wheat flour sont through to Victoria, B.C., by the Ogilvie Co., bound for Australia, will make an opoch in the colonial trade. The flour-laden freights were the centre of attraction in Vancouver for two or three days, owing to the nicely painted streamers which decorated the nicely painted streamers which decorated tanning, manufacture of belting, etc., now the cars and which could be seen from every carried on by the firm of D. W. Alexander part of the city.

The Liscomb Gold Mining Company, Stellarton, N.S., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$13,000.

A hy-law has been carried at Portago la airie. Man., to construct works on the river there for water power purposes, etc., involving a large expenditure.

The Robb Engineering Company, Amherst, N.S., have been appointed agents for that province for the Mica Boiler Covering Company, Toronto.

J. M. Taylor, Portage la Prairie, Man., is making additions to his planing mill, adding new muchinery, etc., for the manufacture of sash doors, etc.

D. W. Alexander & Co., Toronto, is being incorporated to take over the business of & Co.

The Stanley Piano Company of Toronto, head office Toronto, is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$24,000.

Mr. John M. Eastwood, Loch Winnoch, Ont., is building a new woolen mill.

The Chesley Chair Company, Chesley, Ont., has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$20,000.

The Strathroy Browing and Malting Company, Strathroy, Ont., is being incorporated with a capital stock of \$11,000.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA MINING INDUSTRY.

The following mining companies are being incorporated:—The Golden Wedge Mining Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,500,000; The Bruce Gold Mining Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,000,000; Peoria Military and Mining and Milling Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,000,000; Sultana Gold Mining Company of British Columbia, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,000,000; The Cromwell Mining and Developing Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,200,000; the Royal FiveGold Mining Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,500,000; The Dardanelles Mining and Milling Company, Kaslo, capital stock, \$1,000,000; Dundee Gold Mining Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,000,000; The British Columbia Gold Property Company, Victoria, capital stock, \$250,000; Dundurn Gold Mining Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,000,000; Gopher Gold Mining Company, Rossland, capital stock, \$1,000,000; Alpha Bell Gold Quartz Mining Company, Vancouver, capital stock, \$500,000; The Kootenay Iron Works Company, Nelson, capital stock, \$50,000.

The following foreign mining companies have been registered in British Columbia: land, capital stock, \$1,000,000; The Crom-

have been registered in British Columbia :have been registered in British Columbia:—Bowen Island Mining Company, Tacoma, Washington, capital stock, \$1,000,000; Quesnelle Mining Company, Chicago, Ill., capital stock, \$1,000,000; Spokane-Kaslo Mining and Milling Company, Spokane, Washington, capital stock, \$900,000; Black Rock Gold Mining Company, Seattle, Washington, capital stock, \$1,000,090; British Columbia Development Association, England, capital stock, £10,000.

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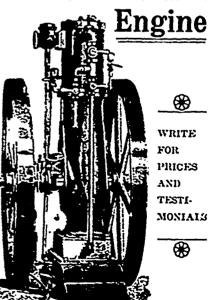
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A home-made locomotive is owned by Bell's Asbestos Company, Limited, which is in use at the company's mines, at Thetford, in the province of Quebec. It is used to haul wasto rock from the quarries to the dump. This locomotive was made at the works in Thetford, as a matter of economy, as the cost of a Porter or Baldwin locome-tive of the same size with the tariff duty of thirty-five percent., would have cost in the neighborhood of \$4,500, while this one was built at a cost of only about \$1,500, including \$400 for the boiler, and making an allowance of \$400 for the pair of engines. The engines are a pair of Copeland & Beacon's hoisting engines, the frame of which had been broken; the drum was removed and the en- of Montreal, over 1,000 sixteen e.p. incan-

gines drawn closer together, forming a saddle for the boiler to rest on, where the drumshaft passed through. The length over all is fourteen feet; the extreme height nine feet ten inches, and the weight about 15,000 pounds. The tank has a capacity of about 250 gallons. The hauling capacity, on a level, in tons of 2,000 pounds, is over 450 tons, and the engine runs at a speed of

The Consolidated Milling Co., of Peter-boro', are having their large mills lighted by electricity. The Royal Electric Co. are furnishing the dynamo and materials, and Mr. J. H. Greer, of Peterboro' is installing the plant. The Consolidated Milling Co. expect to run about twenty-four hours per day, from which it would appear that they have plenty of business in view.

The waterworks and electric lightsystems of the corporation of Sudbury. Ont., were successfully started a few days ago. This is said to be the first municipal corporation in Canada which has installed a strictly up-to-date electric lighting system. They are operating from their alternating current two phase dynamo, furnished by the Royal Electric Co.,

descent lamps, sixteen street are lamps of the Helios type of 2,000 c.p. each, and a number of small motors driving printing presses, meat choppers, etc. The power house in which are erected the pumps as house in which are erected the pumps as well as the electric light and steam power is a solid brick structure, 2½ stories high in the main part, with a boiler room extension, solid stone basement, cement and hardwood twelve miles an hour, hauling ten three-ton empty cars, and makes a total of over sixty miles a day. The locomotive has been in service for three years, during which time there have been practically no repairs. with a capacity of 30,000 gallons per hour, made by the Northey Mfg. Co., Toronto, one 125 h.p. Wheelock automatic engine with condenser, made by Goldie & McCullogh, Galt. Ont., and one seventy-five K. W.

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complete, by the Royal Electric Co., Montreal. The water is forced by the pumps into a steel tank built on a steel tower, which holds 70,000 gallons. The elevation of the tower gives eighty-two pounds presented to the tower gives eighty-two pounds presented to the tower gives eighty-two pounds presented to the tower gives to the given gives to the tower gives to the tower gives to the sure at the hydrants, which is ample to put a fire stream over the highest building in the town. The city fathers and the people in general are highly pleased with the entire plant, and much credit is due to the engincers, Messrs. J. R. Gordon, C.E., and L. V. Rorke, D.L.S., for the first-class manner in which this second plant was installed.

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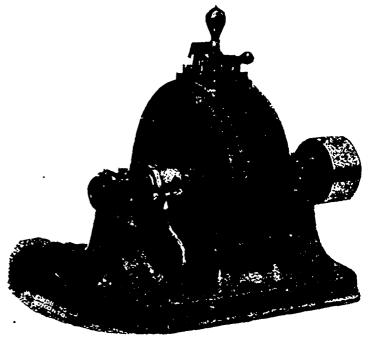


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The many advantages of the alternating-current system have led to its adoption in the great majority of the central lighting stations of the United States, notwithstanding the objections that (aside from a few inefficient fan motors of a fraction of a horse-power) no motors practical for general power distribution were obtainable for use on this system. This objection, however, no longer obtains, the Toronto Electric Motor Company are now prepared to furnish alternating-current motors to operate on single-phase circuits from ordinary lighting transformers, without the use of special starting



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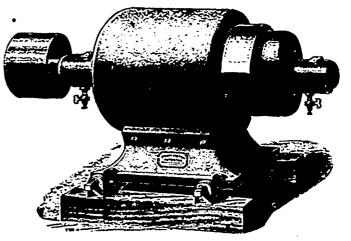
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The single-phase alternating-current motor has been to the electrician like the panacea of the alchemist, the cause of almost endless thought and experiment; but the solution of the problem was a most simple one and rests on two well-known principles. Attempts have been made to use induction motors on the single-phase circuits, but it is difficult to start them, and usually very cumbersome and expensive arrangements have been devised, which give but small starting torque. Besides this, in order to make them at all efficient and keep the power factor within reasonable limits, a very small clearance or air gap (often less than one-half

millimeter) must be allowed between fields and armature, so that the slightest mechanical wear or vibration causes trouble. Even under the most favorable conditions it is impossible to construct an induction motor so as to avoid a very considerable lagging or so-called "wattless" current. In such motors the power factor, which is the ratio of the real to the apparent energy, varies from twenty to eighty per cent. That is to say, if the motor has a power factor of fifty per cent, there must be double the current power factor of fifty per cent, there must be double the current consistent that is actually required to do the most and while half formished that is actually required to do the work, and while half the current is wattless, yet it uses up capacity in generator, trans-former and line wire, with energy consumption due to C<sup>2</sup>R losses in each, and in long distance transmission the impedance (which is the ohmic drop plus that due to the inductance of the line, and which varies with the current and frequency), cuts such a figure as to make the expense for copper large, in order to keep the working electro-motive force within proper limits.

Pacinotti's discovery of the reversibility of a dynamo applies to

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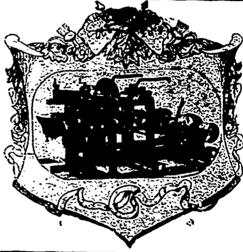
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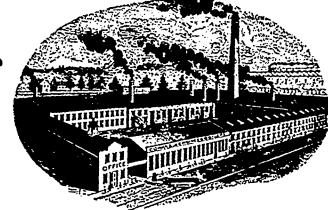
This brings us back to the two simple, well-known principles before referred to, which are combined in this motor—the principle of the ordinary alternating-current synchronous motor with that of

the direct-current motor or generator. The armature has two distinct windings—one, a distributed winding connected to a commutator, similar to that of a direct current motor or dynamo, which in this motor is used for starting and afterwards for exciting the fields; the other winding is of the shuttle type, wound so as to concentrate distinct and regularly alternating poles in the armature, and perform the regular work of rotating the motor armature, advancing it from one pole to the next, with each impulse of the generator.

An ordinary double-throw switch on top of the motor is used in starting, there being no resistence or other complicated device, as the self-induction of the windings is sufficient to choke back any abnormal flow of current. In starting, the switch handle is depressed so that the lead wires which conduct the alternating current from the transformer are connected through the switch blades to the contacts which lead the current first to one of the commutator brushes, thence through the distributed armature windings, and out through the opposite brushes to a coarse wire winding on the field poles, and back again to the switch contacts and binding posts, these connections being identical with those of a direct current series motor. As soon as the current is turned on the motor commences to rotate at a constantly accelerating speed until synchronism is reached, which is indicated by the lighting of a lamp located on the switch at a dull red. This is the signal for the reversal of the double-throw switch, which then changes the connections so that the leads from the transformer are cut off from the commutator, and connected to the collector rings and concentrated armature windings, while at the same instant the commutator brushes are

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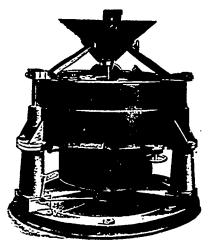
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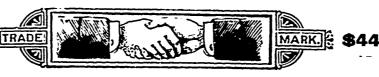
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