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NATIONAL FAIR-TRADE FUND.

Trustees:
S. CUNLIFFE LISTER, ESQ.
SAMPSON & LLOYD, ESQ.
HON. PERCY WYNDHAM.

All letters to be addressed to the
REGISTRAR,
23, COCKSPUR STREET, LONDON, S.W.

Bankers:
National Provincial Bank of
England.

18 June. 1880

My Lord,
Dear Sir,

May I ask your kind thoughts to the enclosed circular - inviting friends to assist us in building up a fund, to be ready for service when the time comes - as it must come, for action involving large expenditure - We want to raise an efficient fund, the subscriptions to be spread over three years, but we do not seek large amounts from individuals, but small sums from the many.

Your kind reply will oblige.

Yours faithfully,
James Edgcome
Act. Reg.

Lord Rivers
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J.E.

I enclose first list of promises for your guidance - the larger amounts payable in three yearly instalments

I also send you copy of our Annual Report.
J.E.

All Letters in respect to this Fund are requested to be addressed to—
THE REGISTRAR, National Fair-Trade Fund, 23, Cockspur Street, London, S.W.

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A CALL FOR £100,000.
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SIR,—In reference to the great question of the proposed revival of import duties on foreign products competing with home labour, we venture to ask you to insert the following :—

No greater proof of the daily increasing interest taken in this subject can be afforded than the fact of numerous societies having sprung up in different parts of the kingdom, and under various titles, to promote views known under the generic term of Fair-Trade.

The work is therefore ripe for an effort far exceeding anything that has gone before. Public men of rank and position have declared that they are awaiting the voice of the people; and happily, an army of workers is ready. But for these the sinews of war must be found to supply the demand for public meetings, lectures, and the wide circulation of literature.

In the belief that there are thousands ready to give freely for such purposes, according to their ability, if they only knew how best to contribute, the undersigned have concurred in the formation of a NATIONAL FAIR-TRADE FUND, to be lodged in the names of Trustees who are empowered by the Trust Deed to apply it to the general advantage of the cause by whomsoever or wherever it may be advocated.

The first trustees are Mr. S. Cunliffe Lister, Mr. Sampson S. Lloyd, and the Hon. Percy Wyndham.

All donations should be paid into the National Provincial Bank of England, or any of its Branches throughout the kingdom, to the account of the "NATIONAL FAIR-TRADE FUND."

It is proposed that donations to this fund may be payable either in one sum, or by three annual instalments; and with the view of founding it substantially, we, the undersigned, have, with our immediate friends, subscribed the sum of £5000 in the hope of encouraging all who have the same object at heart to join us at once in raising £100,000, so that this great question may be laid thoroughly before the public, and more speedily made the subject of legislation.

All information as to details, together with a copy of the Trust Deed, can be obtained on application to the Registrar of the "National Fair-Trade Fund," 23, Cockspur Street, London. It is not alone by the large donations of a few, but by a multitude of small contributions that the widespread interest in this vital question can be manifested and an adequate fund raised. Subscriptions of any amount, however small, are therefore earnestly invited, and will be acknowledged direct by the Registrar of the Fund.

Thanking you, in advance, for your courtesy in inserting this,

We are, Sir, your obedient servants,

TORRINGTON, Yotes Court, Maidstone.
STANLEY OF ALDERLEY, Alderley Park, Cheshire.
HENRY A. HOARE, Eaton Place.
ED. CH. HEALEY, 86, St. James's Street.
JOHN E. BINGHAM, Sheffield.
W. FARRER ECROYD, Burnley, Lancs.
W. F. DREW, Bemerton Lodge, Upper Norwood, S.E.
JOSEPH WRIGHT, Macclesfield.
S. CUNLIFFE LISTER, Bradford, Yorks.
SAMPSON S. LLOYD, 2, Cornwall Gardens, London, S.W.
PERCY WYNDHAM, Clouds, Salisbury.

P.S.—Donations to be payable either in one sum or in three annual instalments in 1888-89-90, on January 1st in each year, at option of Donor.

COPY OF TRUST DEED.

This Indenture made the Fourth day of November, 1887, between the Right Honourable Viscount TORRINGTON of Yotes Court Mereworth in the County of Kent the Right Honourable LORD STANLEY OF ALDERLEY in the County of Cheshire Sir HENRY A. HOARE Baronet of Eaton Place in the County of Middlesex EDWARD CHARLES HEALEY of 86 St. James Street in the County of Middlesex Esq. JOHN EDWARD BINGHAM of Sheffield in the County of York Esq. WILLIAM FARRER ECROYD of Burnley in the County of Lancashire Esq. WILLIAM FRANCIS DREW of Bemerton Lodge Upper Norwood in the County of Surrey Esq. and JOSEPH WRIGHT of Macclesfield in the County of Cheshire Alderman of the one part and SAMUEL CUNLIFFE LISTER of Swinton in the County of York Esq. SAMPSON SAMUEL LLOYD of No. 2 Cornwall Gardens South Kensington in the County of Middlesex Esq. and THE HONOURABLE PERCY WYNDHAM of the "Clouds" Salisbury in the County of Wilts and No. 44 Belgrave Square in the said County of Middlesex (who and the Survivors and Survivor of them and the executors or administrators of such survivor and all other the Trustees for the time being of these presents are hereinafter collectively referred to as "The Trustees") of the other part.

Whereas the persons parties hereto of the 1st part are desirous that a fund ("hereinafter called the Trust Fund") to be vested in Trustees should be established and maintained for the purpose and with the object of obtaining such changes in the laws of the United Kingdom as shall prevent the products of Foreign States from unfairly competing with the products of home labour and the promoting of an extension of trade between the Mother Country and her Colonies and Dependencies and generally for the purpose of defraying the expenses of and incidental to the dissemination and furtherance of the principles and policy denominated and known as "Fair Trade" for the promotion of views tending towards a reversal of the present fiscal policy of the Country and for the purpose of imposing duties upon all Foreign commodities competing with home industry when imported. **And whereas** the said SAMUEL CUNLIFFE LISTER, SAMPSON SAMUEL LLOYD, and PERCY WYNDHAM have consented to accept the Office of Trustees of the Trust Fund and to receive and stand possessed of all subscriptions paid on account thereof for the purposes and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed. **And whereas** the persons parties hereto of the 1st part have together with others contributed and promised to contribute the sum of £5000 to the Trust Fund and have paid and promised to pay the same to the said Trustees and it is intended to apply to other persons for subscriptions to the Trust Fund. **Now these Presents Witness** that it is hereby agreed and declared as follows:—

1. The said sum of £5000 and all other subscriptions to the Trust Fund as and when from time to time received by the Trustees shall be paid by them into an Account to be opened in such name or names and at such Bank or Banks as the Trustees shall from time to time determine.
2. The monies standing to the Account or Accounts aforesaid for the time being shall be paid and applied by the Trustees in such manner and for such purposes as they the said Trustees shall in their absolute discretion for the time being think proper but so nevertheless that every such payment and application shall be made with a view to the attainment of the objects before mentioned.
3. It shall be lawful for but in no wise obligatory upon the Trustees to invest any monies standing to the credit of the said Account or Accounts and not immediately required upon such securities as the Trustees may think fit or to deposit the same at interest with any Bank and the Trustees may realise

the said securities or call in the said deposited monies as and when they think proper and the said securities or monies on deposit and the dividends and interest or proceeds of sale thereof shall be held by the Trustees upon and for the same trusts and purposes as are herein declared concerning monies standing to the said Account or Accounts current as aforesaid.

4. The Trustees will keep true and correct accounts of all receipts and payments on Account of the Trust Fund and may transmit Copies or Abstracts of such Accounts to Subscribers as and when they think fit and any subscriber who shall have subscribed the sum of £10 or more to the Trust Fund shall be entitled at any time during a period of 12 calendar months after the payment of such subscription and upon giving reasonable notice to the Trustees to inspect the accounts of the Trustees during business hours and at his own expense, Provided that such inspection shall extend only to the accounts of the Trustees since the date of payment of such subscription and during the period aforesaid.

5. The decision of the Trustees as to the propriety of all payments made by them out of the Trust Fund in pursuance of these presents shall be absolutely binding upon all subscribers to the said Fund and the Trustees shall be respectively chargeable only for such monies as they shall respectively actually receive and not one for the other or others of them or for any involuntary losses and it shall be lawful for the Trustees to retain or reimburse themselves out of the said Trust Fund all costs and expenses to be incurred in or about the execution of the Trusts herein contained or otherwise in respect of the premises.

6. If the said SAMUEL CUNLIFFE LISTER, SAMPSON SAMUEL LLOYD, and PERCY WYNDHAM or any of them or any future Trustee or Trustees to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned or to be appointed by any Court of competent jurisdiction shall die or be desirous of being discharged from or refuse or become incapable of acting in the Trusts of these presents then in every such case it shall be lawful for the surviving or continuing Trustees or Trustee for the time being of these presents (and for this purpose every refusing or retiring Trustee shall if willing to act in the execution of this power be considered a continuing Trustee) and if there shall be no surviving or continuing Trustee then for the Central Executive Committee of the National Fair-Trade League whose present Central Office is 23 Cockspur Street London acting by their quorum fixed according to the rules of the said League for the time being by writing to appoint any person or persons to be Trustee or Trustees so dying or desiring to be discharged or refusing or becoming incapable of acting as aforesaid and upon every such appointment the number of Trustees may be augmented or reduced but so that there shall never be less than two Trustees of these presents and the Trust Fund. **In Witness** whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

N.B.—May we add your name to First List of Donors to this Fund?

NATIONAL FAIR-TRADE FUND.

All communications to be addressed to

REGISTRAR,

23, Cockspur Street,

LONDON, S.W.

FIRST LIST OF DONORS, 1888.

	£	s.	d.
S Cunliffe Lister, Bradford	3000	0	0
Ed. Ch. Healey, St. James's Street, S.W. ...	600	0	0
John E. Bingham, Sheffield	300	0	0
Honble. Percy Wyndham, Belgrave Square ...	180	0	0
W. F. Drew, Upper Norwood	105	0	0
W. Farrer Ecroyd, Herefords	100	0	0
West Suffolk Branch Fair-Trade League ...	50	0	0
Lt.-Col. F. W. Carden, Newbury	25	0	0
Geo. G. Gribble, St. Paul's Churchyard ...	21	0	0
F. Youle, Montague Street	20	0	0
Major Eustace Jamieson, Birmingham ...	15	0	0
F. L. Cook, 24, Hyde Park Gardens	10	10	0
C. E. Howard Vincent, C.B., M.P., Newbury...	10	10	0
Rev. Ed. Miller, Bicester	10	10	0
Joseph Wright, Macclesfield	10	0	0
Edward Courage, Horsleydown	10	0	0
W. D. Cruddas, Newcastle	10	0	0
W. J. Whitaker, Lymington	10	0	0
W. P. Hayward, Cheltenham	10	0	0
C. Davies Gilbert, Trelissick	10	0	0
Lady Belcher, Cumberland Terrace	9	9	0
Frederick Braby, Teddington	6	6	0
H. M. Carter, Wakefield	6	6	0
Sir W. C. Worsley, Hovingham	6	0	0
Robert Johnson, Bradford... ..	5	5	0
W. H. Brocklehurst, Hyde Park Square ...	5	0	0
Lord Stanley of Alderley, Cheshire	5	0	0
Hy. Chaytor, Witton Castle, Durham ...	5	0	0
James Hall, Newcastle-on-Tyne	5	0	0
Hon. and Rev. H. W. Bertie, Oxford	5	0	0
W. Pomfret-Pomfret, M.P., Ashford	5	0	0
Sir Henry H. Hoare, Bart., Eaton Place ...	5	0	0
Margerison & Co., Preston	5	0	0
W. and A. Tremlett, Exeter	3	3	0
James Hartley, Junr., Sunderland	3	3	0
Geo. Metcalf, Pateley Bridge	3	3	0
W. H. Head, Greenhithe... ..	2	2	0
W. Biddell, Lavenham	2	2	0
Theophilus Gwatter, Bath	2	0	0
D. Procter & Sons, Blairgowrie, N.B. ...	2	0	0
Gilbert Wansborough, Foster Lane, E.C. ...	1	1	0
Rev. Smith Davis, Steeple Gidding	1	1	0
T. H. Lowthian, Manchester	1	1	0
T. Wright Fenton, Dewsbury	1	1	0
Rd. Mitchell, Kensington Park Gardens ...	1	1	0
J. Mackenzie, Bournemouth	1	0	0
R. Hy. Nevile, Grantham... ..	1	0	0
A. M. Cardwell	1	0	0
J. A. Newton, Stalybridge	1	0	0
J. D. Fisher, Lincoln	1	0	0
W. M. Kenrick, Guildford	0	10	0
J. B., Freemantle	0	10	0
Geo. Graham, Hove, Brighton	0	5	0