

next Dominion census may show a population of considerably over two millions in Canada west of Lake Superior. But are the older provinces of Canada to stand still while the West is growing? That will depend upon whether we are willing to allow the manufacturers of the United States to supply the farmers of the Northwest with manufactured goods. Our present policy is to admit the products of the United States into Canada on payment of low duties, while very high duties have to be paid on almost every Canadian product entering the United States. If this policy is continued a very large share of the Canadian Northwest trade will go to cities over the border, but if the Canadian tariff is made as high as the United States' tariff, the manufacturers of Canada will completely control the Northwest trade, and the progress of the eastern provinces will be as marvellous as the development of the West. Of course all the new factories will not be built in the East ; the West will get its share of them ; but the eastern provinces will have no cause for dissatisfaction if adequate protection is given to all Canadian industries.

The farmers now crossing the international boundary for the purpose of settling in