

COMMERCIAL RELATIONS WITH CANADA AND EXTENSION OF MARKETS FOR OUR PRODUCTIONS.

By a continental and truly American system, we, who occupy a central position between the North and South, should not only satisfy our own wants, but, through being the merchants and carriers for our neighbors on both sides, derive larger profits than any of them.

## SPEECH

OF

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I look forward to that time in the not distant future when a truly fraternal comity shall prevail throughout this continent, from that habitable part of it which is nearest to the arctic regions to the tropics, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, and when this sentiment shall find its natural expression, not in lawless and desolating expeditions or hostile inroads of any kind, but be manifested and continually increased by those peaceful exchanges of the products of human industry which yield profitable employment and make homes happy. Nature herself, in the varieties of climate and resources, has provided for this plan by permanent and beneficial laws, against which we make our temporary and destructive statutes.

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