

United States is our greatest competitor. It is this which causes the demand for pulling Canadian grain southward so that the whole situation may be controlled. That is what President Taft means when he says "commercial union."

Commercial union is another name for commercial control. Commercial control means the reduction of the Canadian ports to mere subsidiaries of New York and Boston. Permit that, and Canadian nationality is hopelessly emasculated; and the partnership in the Empire becomes a subsidiary affair also. When that point is reached there is no need to talk of annexation. It will take care of itself.

