## INTRODUCTORY.

In the following pages are grouped together some Letters, Papers, and Speeches on the subject of Commercial Union between the United States and Canada. No attempt is made to include anything like a complete list of publications on this topic, but simply to rescue from the oblivion of a daily newspaper, and put in permanent form, some productions which might otherwise be difficult of access. The compilation will be added to from time to time as occasion may arise. The object is to make accessible some views regarding this question, which is perhaps, in its extent and eventual effects, the largest question now before the public. On the next page will be found a copy of the bill introduced into Congress by the Hon. Benjamin Butterworth, which may well form a basis for the discussion which impends on this important topic. The publisher apologizes for permitting so large a space to be filled with his own productions; but, having given the subject a good deal of attention, he prints his views in default of something better. Copies of the pamphlet can be had on application to the address on the title page.