

the finished product abroad, and it will stimulate the sale of manufactures and other things that we have to sell to Canada. Canadian grain will pour into Minneapolis, to the benefit of American millers, handlers and exporters of grain. For every bushel that comes across the border a bushel will be exported at New York."

The following from the Washington "Star" would be amusing if it were not so solemnly worded. It is only a different way of saying "From the Pole to Panama," which is now called "the Washington phrase":—

TURN TOWARDS ANNEXATION.

"But the Dominion may be and is being Americanized, though it is not being annexed. The English provinces are assimilating themselves to the Republic. The tone of the press and the tendency of public thought and action is American rather than European.

"The native Canadian is by birth an American, but that name and all the modern history of his continent, and an intense nationality and national pride belong to the people of the great Republic to the south of him, with whom he may unite politically without reproach. He feels that he is alienated from the tendencies and aspiration of the continent of his birth; that he is merely a despised colonist, a species of political outcast, like the man without a country, or a citizen of the District of Columbia.

"In time the thoughts of the Canadians may turn towards annexation as the most-to-be-desired of all political boons. The isolation and humiliation of the colonial position will not be forever enduring. Meanwhile, full reciprocity in exchange of citizens and products and steady Americanization."

COMPETITION IS GOVERNING FACTOR.

Our American friends are not blameworthy for entertaining these views and intentions. They are encouraged and justified by the very fact of the Canadian Government sending two emissaries to Washington and accepting, without reference to the Canadian people, an agreement which, it is believed in the United States, practically guarantees the ascendency of the Republic over the Dominion and the Empire.

The Canadian people are invited to receive gratefully this kind of thing, because commercial advantages are said to attend it. But the market of ninety million people is no such thing. The undeniable fact that Liverpool fixes the price of wheat on this continent proves that in the main export of Canada, to the one sure and certain market of the world, the