

He was a Canadian by birth, but was identified with a large business in New York, although he remained always a Canadian and never became a naturalized American. He lived in a beautiful house situated on Staten Island and had the advantage of having several children.

It was arranged beforehand that I should accompany Mr. Wiman to New York. We drove to Niagara Falls by carriage, saw Brock's monument and took dinner at the hotel on the Canadian side and later took the train to New York. It was a beautiful journey and I remember waking up early in the morning as we glided along the Hudson River. It was perfectly calm and the sun shining directly over it from West Point to the Palisades. We went to Washington the next day. We had a most enjoyable time there. Among other things, we took lunch at Mr. R. R. Hitt's, at which were present Speaker Thomas B. Reid, Roswell M. Flower, Senator Burroughs and others and we talked over the whole matter of commercial union with the United States. Mr. Hitt was a man of considerable wealth and his wife was one of the most beautiful women in the city and they lived in a luxurious house and could do all the entertaining necessary. He afterwards became a friend of mine and I not unfrequently visited the house and partook of the various hospitalities which he offered. He himself was an advocate of Unrestricted Reciprocity. We saw Carlisle, the Secretary of the Treasury, Senator Sherman and various other leading persons, and Mr. Sherman took in hand the resolution for the appointment of a Commission, clothed with power to make a Reciprocity Treaty with Canada, with twenty thousand dollars for expenses, and I had the pleasure of hearing the Senator give notice of the resolution the next morning.

I always had the advantage of a few intimate friends in the United States, who have now all passed away. The first may be put down as Con-

gressman Butterworth, whose loving disposition endeared him to all who came in contact with him and who was the chief mover in the question of Reciprocity. Another was Mr. Jonathan A. Lane, who was president of the Mercantile Association of Boston, whose hospitality I enjoyed at two meetings of that body, and frequently visited him at his home, which was unpretentious, but was made agreeable always by the most unbounded hospitality. Another of my friends was Mr. Charles Francis Adams, who died two or three years ago at the age of eighty, but he seemed when I met him up to the very last to be a youngish and vigorous man. He lived at Lincoln, about twenty miles from Boston, in a beautiful spot; large house, large stables, large grounds and was a man of considerable wealth. He was certainly one of the most interesting men that could be met anywhere in the United States. His great grandfather was John Adams, President of the United States, and his grandfather John Quincy Adams, President of the United States. His father, Charles Francis, was Minister to England for seven years and Charles Francis himself was President of the Massachusetts Historical Society for twenty years, and wrote an infinite variety of books on all subjects of interest and importance to the world and his method of presenting questions was always vigorous, powerful and searching. I induced him to be present at the Tercentenary celebration at Annapolis in 1904, and I often had the pleasure of visiting him for one or two days in his house at Lincoln and enjoying his most delightful hospitality. I valued his friendship as highly as could be and his death to me was an extreme blow.

Another of my friends in the United States, the oldest and, perhaps, the best that I had, was A. Shuman of the firm of Shuman & Co. on Washington Street. Mr. Shuman occupied a special position of importance in the city and was identified