

commerce as they are becoming closer and closer knit together by ties of blood.

John Bright's splendid dream of one nation covering the whole continent from Hudson Bay to the Gulf of Mexico with the same blood, same speech, same institutions, and a single flag perhaps cannot be realized; but the idea of two peoples, brothers in origin and race, brothers in institutions, literature and law, becoming also brothers in industry and commerce can and will be realized."

So much for what may be called the great commercial and trade interests and the arguments in reference to them.

The answer that the Canadian makes so far as these interests are concerned, is, that we want these factories located on this side; we want these citizens to build up our own nation; we want these working men to create homes and become Canadians! To the farmer, the people who thus argue, point out that the home market is the best; that the United States are likely in order to decrease the excessive cost of living to the eastern consumer to take off the present duties,

6c. a lb. on butter,

4c. a lb. on cheese,

25% on flour,

45% on vegetables,

without our having to sacrifice that which creates the home market for the farmer, although I am bound to say that the probabilities are, that you will not get the American negotiator, to be willing to allow our natural products to get the benefit of his market, unless he is able to point to the manufacturer on the other side, some reciprocal trade benefit that