

FULL TEXT
OF THE
PROPOSED RECIPROCITY TREATY.

Her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain, and the United States of America, being desirous of improving the commerce and navigation between their respective territories and people, and more especially between her Majesty's possessions in North America and the United States, in such manner as to render the same reciprocally beneficial, have respectfully named plenipotentiaries to confer and agree thereupon, that is to say: * * * * * A treaty for the reciprocal regulations of the commerce and trade between the United States and Canada, with provisions for the enlargement of the Canadian canals, and for their use by United States vessels on terms of equality with British vessels.

ARTICLE I.

It is agreed, by the high contracting parties, that, in addition to the liberty secured to the United States fishermen by the convention between Great Britain and the United States, signed at London on the 20th day of October, 1818, of taking, curing and drying fish on certain coasts of the British North American Colonies therein defined, the inhabitants of the United States shall have, in common with the subjects of her Britannic Majesty, the liberty for the term of years mentioned in Article XIII of this Treaty to take fish of every kind, except shell-fish, on the sea coasts and shores, and in the bays, harbours and creeks of the Provinces of Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, and of the several islands