

personal representative of the President of the United States on the floor of Congress, and who had charge of this reciprocity agreement, used the following language in the course of a speech to convince Congress that reciprocity meant prosperity to the United States:

"If it were proposed to add to this country to day another Louisiana purchase" (and by this he meant the purchase by the Jefferson Ministry from Napoleon of the Trans-Mississippi territory, which practically doubled the then extent of the Union) "or if it were proposed to add two or three agricultural States, who would there be to deny that such a circumstance would augment materially the prosperity and wealth of the two countries? And yet to the extent to which this bill goes, that is just what we are doing." (Applause.)

He also said with regard to the position of the United States that, as years went by, if it should appear under this agreement that any undue advantage was given to Great Britain by Canada, it would be within the power of Congress, if it so ordered it, to change the rates at any time, or repeal them all. How did that come to be in his mind, Mr. Speaker? How did he come to be thinking of that? With this great national twin-brother pact, how did he come to think of the possibility that Canada might give more advantageous terms to Great Britain, and it would be within the power of the United States to put down her foot upon Canada if we attempted that? (Applause.)

Now, in the Congress at Washington there is a Hansard which is called the Congressional Record, in which all the speeches are printed, and members of Congress may, if they choose, and happen to be in favour, prepare their speeches and move for "leave to print," as it is called, and they are printed without having been delivered, and in this way their constituents receive the impression that their representatives have delivered the remarkable speeches they read.

No newspaper printed Mr. McCall's remarks, he apparently not desiring that Great Britain or Canada should hear the arguments necessary to secure the majority for the bill. The strange fact is, several of the speeches were withheld for several days from the Congressional Record.

AMERICAN NEWSPAPER COMMENT.

Then we have the New York World making use of this language:

"The alarm in England over American-Canadian reciprocity is a big nudge to Uncle Sam that he is on the right track."