

undoubtedly preference for the products of the dependencies in the great markets of the world located in Great Britain. If our Government rejects the proffers of reciprocity now under consideration, Canada will certainly turn the current of her trade as far as possible toward Great Britain. In that direction will pass her entire agricultural output through her own water channels to the Liverpool markets, and from Great Britain will be bought an increasing proportion of supplies of manufactured goods of all kinds. Our food products will have to compete in the world's markets of Liverpool and London at a disadvantage with the products of Canada."

ASCENDENCY OF REPUBLIC.

The Milwaukee "Free Press" is very anxious for the United States to enjoy an ascendancy over us:—

"We have absolutely no doubt that if the present agreement is approved it will be amended from time to time until we have positively free commercial intercourse with our Northern neighbor. It is a splendid beginning towards a great all-American trade policy which will redound to the untold benefits of both people.

"Well do England's Imperialists appreciate the sequel of such a pact; a growing union of North American interests redounding to the common advancement of both Canada and the United States, and especially to the latter's ascendancy at the expense of Great Britain.

"We can do no more than indicate the great significance of the Canadian pact to the all-American ideal, to the future prosperity and ascendancy of this Republic."

HEAD OFF EUROPEAN TRADE.

To head off Canada from direct trade with Europe is the ambition which moves the Philadelphia "Ledger":—

"The question is whether we shall shut ourselves off from this new domain by artificial walls and force its trade across the Atlantic, or shall establish such relations with it now that its growing wealth shall contribute with ours to the common development of the country. The details of the agreement are trivial, compared with the continental sentiment that underlies it."

The "Cincinnati Enquirer" anticipates the political alienation of Canada from Britain:—

"The fears of the British as to the political results of reciprocity with the United States are soundly based, for, with the closer commercial relations which will result there will come a unity of political sentiment between the people of Can-