

will better promote the three common interests of the States, than any system of imposts or revenue duties, which a wise and patriotic people can adopt. Commerce spreading more canvass—sailing into new and broader seas—visiting distant shores of inexhaustible wealth, will conduct home the full tide of a golden traffic.

#### NATIONAL ADVANTAGES.

IN the following memorial, offered at the present session, for the consideration of Congress, are some of the national advantages, which may accrue, from a permanent possession of Oregon.

*To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives, in Congress assembled.*

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY, for encouraging the Settlement of the Oregon Territory, instituted in A. D. 1829, and incorporated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, actuated by a faithful regard to duty, have choerfully engaged in the work of opening to a civilized and virtuous population, that part of Western America, called OREGON.

They are convinced, that if that country should be settled under the auspices of the Government of the United States of America, from such of her worthy sons, who have drank of the spirit of those civil and religious institutions, which constitute the living fountain, and the very perennial source of her national prosperity, great benefits must result to mankind. They believe, that there, the skilful and persevering hand of industry might be employed with unparalleled advantage; that there, Science and the Arts, the invaluable privileges of a free and liberal government, and the refinements and ordinances of Christianity, diffusing each its blessing, would harmoniously unite in meliorating the moral condition of the Indians, in promoting the comfort and happiness of the settlers, and in augmenting the wealth and power of the Republic.

The uniform testimony of an intelligent multitude have established the fact, that the country in question, is the most valuable of all the unoccupied parts of the earth. Its peculiar location and facilities, and physical resources for trade and commerce; its