

But whatsoe'er He deemeth right  
Must be the best for me :  
Then take me, Lord, and make me, Lord,  
What Thou wouldst have me be !

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#### HOW AN ADVANTAGE MAY BE TURNED INTO A DIS- ADVANTAGE BY THE YOUNG CANADIAN.

In the issue of this MONTHLY for May of the current year I said something about "One Advantage of Growing up in Canada." In closing that article I wrote, "Right here I could point out two or three ways in which this advantage can possibly be turned into a disadvantage." The advantage referred to is the inheritance, on the part of the young Canadian, of the British traditions. Let me indicate now how this great inheritance may actually, if care is not exercised, work to the detriment of the young Canadian. That the advantages of life may be abused, that what ought to be helps and incentives may actually operate as clogs is no new truth.

An illustration will give a very plain hint of the point of this paper. Perhaps there is no greater blessing for a boy than that he should be born of an illustrious father, a man of wisdom, strength, who has made his mark in the world. Such a boy has a right to be proud of his father, and feel a certain pride in himself as his father's son. Not only so, but those about him are willing to pay him all due respect on this same account. But this is not the end of the matter. The time comes when there ought to be something to be told about the youth besides the mere fact that he is his father's son. He ought to be doing something on his own account, to be making his own mark in life. If he is not doing so, but is still living on his father's reputation and his father's capital, and is without push and ambition of his own, the respect of his fellows is withdrawn from him; nor could a line of illustrious ancestors reaching back to the flood retain it for him. This case is not