

complete. As long as we remain as we are, we shall be subject to hard rubs and severe friction of that chain, which continues gathering up and adding to its length, that the weight of itself will some day snap asunder.

As Rome stretched forth her strong arm, and grasped and gathered into her fold many lands and various people, which strained her muscles and weakened her resources, and eventually eat away the core of her once brave heart, so will it be with England. Let us prepare not to fight England's battles as mere mercenary troops who enjoy all the fighting but none of the glory, but rather let us prepare to sail under our own colors and to fight our own battles.

Weak, indeed, are the arguments which are advanced by pretended loyalists for clinging to the motherland. Better by far shape our own course, and manfully follow the dictates of our own free will, than to childishly simper beneath that irreconcilable motto so lately inscribed on the flag of the Empire: "*Imperium et Libertas*."—*Goldwin Smith*.

We Advocate a Distinct Canadian Nationality.—What we advocate, is a distinct Canadian nationality; for we believe it would be better for as Canadians, and better for every one with whom we as a nation should be called upon to deal; better offensively; better defensively; better commercially; better socially, and, of course, better religiously. We will never have a literature worthy the name while we are a dependency. We can never love our country as a dependency. We have no hope for anything like a ripe and rich development in national characteristics while we are a colony. It does not follow that because we are four, and the United States forty millions, that we will be attracted to them. Any reader of history will know that such does not inevitably follow. As for a colonial empire it is beyond the region of possibilities to work out the best interests of the Anglo-Saxon race by any such scheme.—*Chatham Herald*.