

shall meet and melt into one another, and whence, gathering strength in their united progress, they shall flow evermore onward in harmony and peace." The coming of that time must be ardently desired by all who hope for the unity and harmony of our Dominion. In the meantime, we can confide in the patriotism and intelligence of our French fellow-citizens to preserve the Union in all its integrity.

The people which now own the valuable property which labour and enterprise have accumulated in the course of fifty or sixty years, are taught a valuable lesson by those who have subdued the wilderness and laid the foundation of prosperous communities on this side of the Atlantic. The history of American civilization is the history of heroic endeavour and manly fortitude. The pioneer in the wilderness has a story to tell of trials and adventures, often as stirring as those of the sailor on the sea, and equally eloquent of endurance and courage. With hopeful hearts, our forefathers have grappled with the forest and sea—ever looking forward to the future,—only recalling the past to shew how obstacles have been overcome. The work that the pioneer has done may not come within the ken of the historian, for it is done in the silence of the wilderness, with no eye to watch his patient courage and heroism, except the eye of Omnipotence. Though the names of the pioneers may be unknown or forgotten, yet their labour has not been in vain, and their best monument is the prosperity of the communities that they founded. The past of British America teaches us what can be done in the future, if we are only true to ourselves and are ready to imitate the example that our predecessors have set us. The foundations of a new nationality in connection with the Parent State to whom we owe so much, have only been laid, and the work has yet to be carried out to its completion. To the over-crowded communities of the old world, where men and women are struggling for the merest necessities of life, goes an appeal from Canada to come over and assist in increasing the wealth and promoting the prosperity of a country, which can give them not merely wealth and happiness but all that power and influence which mental superiority and intellectual vigour deserve. Canada may not have the varied climate and resources of the great Power on her borders, but nevertheless she possesses all those elements which tend to make a people happy and prosperous. Even our climate, rigorous as it is, has its advantages, for it stimulates to action, while history tells us that the peoples who have attained the truest national greatness have come from the North, and have been famous for their enterprise on the ocean. In the veins of our people courses the blood of those Danes and Norsemen who intermingled with the Saxon, and formed at last a nation whose adventure and enterprise on the seas far surpass the achievements of the Sea Kings of old.



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