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sing "Britannia Rules the Land?" Upon the sceptre of Queen Victoria the sun never sets. "The Queen's morning drum beats all round the world." Look at her colonies—"the desolate heritages," as they were once called. How rapidly and marvellously they have flourished under her care. She is the only nation on earth that has really succeeded in colonizing! The Dutch tried it and failed. Spain tried and its efforts have proved almost a failure. France has by no means been successful; Germany has not met with success, but the British nation has flourishing colonies in all parts of the world. They literally belt the earth and encircle both hemispheres! A clever Frenchman, the late M. Prevost Paradol, says :- "Neither Russia nor United Germany, supposing they should attain the highest fortune, can pretend to impede that current of things, nor prevent the solution, relatively near at hand, of the long rivalry of European races for the ultimate colonization and dominion of the universe. The world will not be Russian nor German, nor French, alas! nor Spanish For it is asserted, that since the great navigation has given the whole world to the enterprise of the European races, three nations were tried, one after another, by fate, to play the first part in the fortune of mankind by everywhere propagating their tongue and blood by means of durable colonies, and by transforming, so to say, the whole world to their own likeness. During the 16th century," continues Mr. Paradol, "it was rational to believe that Spanish civilization would spread over the world. Irremediable vices soon dispersed that colonial power, the vestiges of which, still covering a vast space, tell of its ephemeral grandeur. Then came the turn of France, and Louisiana and Canada have preserved the last remembrance of it. Lastly England came forward definitely accomplished the great work, and England can disappear from the world without the Anglo-Saxon future of the world being sensibly changed."

We have reason to be proud of our country, our kindred, our language and our Queen! In the Penin-