

to, or attachment for, the metropolitan and imperial state, of which they desire to be members, without being its vassals.

Speaking of the Upper province Mr. Nichol said; "Lower Canada is situated between us and the sea, inhabited by a people principally of foreign extraction, and exceedingly jealous and apprehensive of English preponderancy—they were rapidly increasing in numbers and would soon become powerful.— Ought therefore the rise of a foreign state to be viewed without apprehension, which might intercept all communication with the mother country, and force the Upper Canadians, in the event of Great Britain being again engaged in a war similar to the last, to engage in a civil war, in which they might perhaps become tributary to their fellow subjects, or be compelled to join the American States."

Mr. Hagerman declared that "no man who had traced the history of any country could suppose that the Canadas were forever to remain the provinces of an empire. No, although he trusted he should not live to see the day, when the powerful influence and support of the British crown should be withdrawn from this favoured part of His Majesty's dominions, yet he could not disguise from himself that the day must come when the connection would be dissolved, and when that day did arrive, unless Upper Canada was to remain a colony of the now sister province, they must be found united in feeling and sentiment, as well as in interest. There was now as distinct a difference between the people of the two provinces, as there was between the people of Lower Canada, and those of the United States. To remove this distinction, the only effectual way, he conceived, was to resort to an Union, which would gradually remove the differences which now existed, and give us strength to defend and support ourselves.

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