

commercial relations; they are fervent and sincere abolitionists; and have every opportunity of appreciating Northern character and Northern policy. At first they began by sympathising with the Federals, but before long they changed their key, and they now denounce the North, and clamour for a cessation of the cruel and hopeless internecine strife.

The truth is that Canada and Nova Scotia are nearer the scene of action, and perceive more clearly and accurately the real bearings of the affair.

I have been charged with too much bias on one side. I have endeavoured to do full justice to both parties. I have not shown as fully as I might have done how superior in statesmanship the South is to the North. I have restrained my tongue in speaking of that "deed without a name" which destroyed the harbour at Charleston, and of the many insults which have been showered upon our country. I must be permitted but one word on the merely American aspect of the question. To any one who does not live under the stars and stripes, the ultimate disruption of the States is a mere matter of time. A glance at the map will show you the four or five divisions into which it must ultimately split up. Is it not the very mercy of God that this split should take place while the wide land is still so sparsely populated?

What might not be the horrors of a split were it postponed to that epoch which Lord Macaulay anticipated for the disruption, when all that vast extent of country was peopled up to its full producing powers! It has come long before that period, while there are yet millions