

selves in Confederation, they will without doubt become a great nation, much greater than the States, for they will get their independence with a mother's blessing, and without loss of life. The States have theirs, but they got it, like spoilt children, with war and bloodshed.

But enough of politics—what do ladies know of them you will say. True; yet lookers on see most of the game. A number of us being seated together at the bow of the boat, one said she admired, another grew tired of, the Beauharnois Canal; but finally we reached the last lock, at a place called Valleyfield, where Mr. Buntin, of Montreal, has some very fine paper mills, which, had time permitted, we would have liked very much to have examined. Those who tried it had to return without seeing the inside of them; the outside you can see very well from the boat, and they certainly present a very pretty appearance. The workmen's houses look neat and clean, and everything seems so orderly, that they must be a great benefit to the place. At about eleven o'clock on a very beautiful moonlight night, we reached Cornwall, too late to see anything of the place and people, which was rather a disappointment to me, from having spent many pleasant days there, and having many excellent friends, some of whom I expected to see at the entrance of the first lock of the Cornwall Canal, and sat up for that purpose; but sleep, the balm of all woes, soon came to my relief. After