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Chapter VII. — A digression in which the author tries to discover a basis for the solemnity of JOHN BULL; it being popularly believed in Canada that he never smiles except when there is an eclipse of the moon. On these occasions a gentle glow is supposed to light his face, because he knows that the phenomenon is largely caused by his property getting between the sun and the lesser luminary and casting its shadow thereon.

Chapter VIII.—Great Britain, as the home of Princes, who occasionally make a flying trip through Canada, and leave behind them a trail