

mean what they say—that it is but a habit of speaking. But the habit of speaking becomes a habit of thinking, and thinking, sooner or later will become acting.

For many years to come, there is but little to dread from the open aggressive efforts of America: any long continued exertion or sacrifice is next to impossible, under their present constitution. The short but soiled records of their national existence, show them rushing into war against their kindred people, as soon as a favourable opportunity of insuring them appeared to arrive; but, when they felt its harassing results, they rushed out of it again, without the grace of having gained a single point which they contended for, and having wretchedly failed in their attempts upon a remote, and at first almost unassisted colony—their capital taken, their commerce destroyed, and the stability of their Federal Union threatened. The stern lesson has had its effect for thirty years, but, unfortunately for the interests of humanity, it seems by this time well-nigh forgotten.

Now we part, kind reader. May sorrow be a stranger to your blessed English home!

These pages have been an occupation and interest to me during many dark days. They were