

St. James"; or the speech of Mr. Giddings, in which he declared that war "would inevitably place in our possession the Canadas, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick." It must have been hard to be patient in face of that. Who could have foretold what the issue and event of the thing should be?—England tacitly agreeing that the two navies are one navy for the purpose of maintaining the supremacy of the race, and consequently the order and liberty of the world.

With beings who are human, and therefore neither infallible nor omniscient, there must at times be a choice of duties. When a man would gird up his loins for the saving of his life, he must not be chided too bitterly for his extravagance in casting away all hampering garments. Nor will an Admiralty Court censure too severely the seaman who jettisons his deck-load to lighten his ship in the face of an impending storm. The trader who protests, after the storm has been weathered, that his goods were damaged will receive scant consideration; and even if the negotiators of the Treaty of Paris appear to the ignorant to deserve the scorn which has been heaped upon them, we must remember that England was