

tamely to the humiliating position in which they stand under the colonial office? Who can feel more bitterly than they do that the whole political and parliamentary fabric of this great Dominion is powerless, under the supreme will of the colonial Minister? Neither can they ignore that, as mere colonists, they amount to absolutely nothing, in the diplomatic and international relations of the world; that they are actually prohibited from entering into communication with other governments, to settle the most important interests confided to their administration.

If true to the people they represent, how can these responsible ministers submit to their colonial bondage, without a well justified impatience? They must long after the moment when Canada, better instructed in her own interests, will boldly demand her emancipation. Once free from the colonial tie, we will be at liberty to negotiate a commercial union with our wealthy and progressive neighbours, to pull down that Chinese wall which separates us from 50,000,000 of consumers, anxious to buy every article we have for sale, at the highest market price.

In publishing our Review, our object is to hasten the development of this very desirable contingency. When freedom of thought is being assailed by the most powerful organ of the liberal party of Canada, it is fully time that a fearless and independent organ of public opinion should be started. Let it have the support of every true Canadian, who has a stake in the country, free from party distinctions or national prejudice.

In no way will we take part in the discussion of political issues, now dividing liberals and conservatives. We will devote ourselves exclusively to the future policy of our country. We hope to have the full sympathy of the press. In case we should be met with abuse, not argument, we will have no place in our Review for that style of discussion. So as to protect our correspondents, against personal strictures, articles will not be signed.