

The intense national pride which acts so forcibly in the United States is something vastly better than the intellectual paralysis that deadens the energies of men in the British North American Provinces.'

"To give Canadians full national life, with its wider horizon and more stimulating intellectual environment, Haliburton proposed an imperial federation, in which his country should be a full partner. The words 'Colonies' and 'Dependencies,' he urged, should be disused; all the British possessions should be 'integral parts of one great whole.' He thought the time was already at hand when 'the treatment of adults should supersede that of children' in the case of colonies possessing responsible government. But he was not of those who want to obtain all the privileges of manhood, and to shirk its obligations and responsibilities. He did not clamour for the right to make treaties and have them enforced by the imperial services without offering something in return. He did not desire representation without taxation, as some parasitic colonists do to-day. He wanted to see Britons and colonists 'united as one people, having the same rights and privileges, each bearing a share of the public burdens, and all having a voice in the general government.' Professor Drummond has strikingly described the deterioration of the hermit-erab resulting from its habitually evading the natural responsibility of self-defence. Haliburton evidently feared an analogous fate for a nation permanently evading the same responsibility; and he tried sarcasm as well as argument to rouse his countrymen from their ignoble content. 'Don't use that word "ours" till you are entitled to it,' said the clockmaker. 'Be formal and everlasting' polite. Say "your" empire, "your" army, etc., and never strut under borrowed plumes.'

"But Haliburton advocated imperial federation not only to improve the status of the colonies, but also to strengthen the Empire, which, in its present state, he aptly likened to a barrel without hoops, and to a bundle of sticks, which must either be bound together more securely or else fall apart."

The *Atlantic* article which is quoted above contained also the following paragraph:—"If Haliburton hoped to see the British