

his sword, would not thereby have done anything to diminish the general occurrence of "duels and deeds of violence," but would only have rendered his own risk of damage in such events greater than that of other people. But though, as the Duke of Argyll said, it is not likely the time will soon come when men will beat their swords into ploughshares, it is certain that the completion of every work like the Atlantic Cable is a step towards that time, and nobody will disagree with Mr. Bright's assertion that "he is an enemy of our English race, and of the human race, who raises the slightest obstacle to permanent peace and friendship between the members of our great English-speaking family." There are at the bottom of all our quarrels with each other the strongest cords of union between us, and it is grateful and pleasant to us to hear an American say, as Mr. Field did on Wednesday, that "he, an American, felt pride in remembering that his ancestors were English citizens, and lived and died under the English flag." And we are, as he says, proud to think of the great nation which has gone forth from among us and has planted itself so firmly in the West. The feelings of our two countries cannot fail to beat in unison, our interests are identical, our objects not antagonistic, and both of us owe a debt of gratitude to those who, like Mr. Cyrus Field, have worked out an enterprise which has done much and will do more to cement the good feeling between us.