

It is not for me to say here just what form the New Canadian Patriotism towards which we are tending, will assume, but I may say with certainty and without presumption that it will rest on the corner-stone of concord and honorable emulation between the French and English sections of our people, upon common devotion to a common country. The English in the new time will realize more clearly and more sympathetically that the French people were placed in a cruel position by the Treaty of Paris, which robbed them of their army, nobility, merchants, lawyers, and mother-country, which cut them off from the intellectual centre of their race, that the French are entitled by their success in an unequal battle to our respect, and that national sentiment is an almost indestructible thing. The French on the other hand may be fairly called on to enlarge their ideas of country.

What are the boundaries of the French Canadian's country and who are its citizens? Does Canada lie between the Ottawa river and the Gulf? No! the fatherland must be larger than that. We call on the French Canadian to abandon his provincial patriotism, his village pride, to rise to the conception of a Canada which extends from the rock-bound shores of Cape Breton to the land of primroses and larks and open harbours by the far Pacific. The waters, the mines, the forests, the soil of this great land call for the toil and skill of all Canadians. Let the Frenchman establish himself in it with his arts and the expansive genius of his race. Let him take along with him his language, his religion, and his patriotism, not however the patriotism which excludes and