subjects. He sees everything Canadian through green spectacles, and probably it would be hard to find anywhere a less reliable authority on men and matters Canadian. In a recent article in the London Literary World, he makessome statements which are either very ignorant or very malicious. He says: "There is no public in Canada for good literature. The people there only care for wheat, railroads and politics. In the second place, there is no chance of existence for a Canadian monthly magazine." He says: "In regard to the de-Canadianising of Canadians in the States, I quite deny that there is any essential difference between Canadians and Americans to begin with. The people of Toronto and the people of New York are absolutely identified in all their aims, ideas, speech, and customs" He says further: "There is a growing feeling in Canada among the young men that Canada must soon belong, economically and politically, to this continent of North America (by which, we presume, he means the United States), and they have little filial feeiing for a people and a Government three thousand miles away, which do not pretend to be in the least interested in them." We in Canada do not take very seriously these catchpenny statements of Mr. Harte, but we are afraid that those who are as ignorant of Canadian subjects and sentiments as he appears to be may accept them as true. If we have not nad as good opportunities for studying Canadian sentiment as Mr. Harte, we have made a better use of them, and we are confident of this, that the young men of Canada with rare exceptions are intensely loyal to the British connection. If they admit the possibility of any change in our political relations, it does not lie in the direction of annexation to the United States, the very mention of which is distasteful to the great majority of Canadians, both old and young. Nor is Mr. Harte's estimate of the literary sentiment of the Dominion any nearer to the truth than his estimate of its political sentiment. There is not certainly as much literary taste and culture to the square yard in Canada as in the United States; none but a fool would expect that. We have no hesitation in saying, however, that in proportion to its population there is no more cultured community in the world than in this land of the Maple Leaf. Ask the publishers of the great American magazines, which bid so eagerly for the patronage of Canadian readers and whose pages are enlivened by the contributions of so many Canadian



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