

guage must be as good and as just a cause for French Canadian dislike towards their English fellow subjects as towards the Americans; unless it be maintained, that the same causes, which produce hatred to one, will generate attachment to another.

It is not by trials of one description only, that the different properties of an object can be known, but tests of various kinds are requisite to ascertain the entire character. Pure spirit and pure water may look alike; but the one will extinguish, and the other will increase a flame. Gold and baser metal to the touch and to the sight may appear the same; to determine the difference we must have recourse to closer investigation and less ambiguous proofs.

Canada has not yet been invaded by France. That the Canadians dislike the Americans, they have constantly declared, although, within the last two years, they have expended on them many expressions of sudden and unexpected regard. But it will hardly be contended, that the ancient dislike of the Americans, even supposing it still to exist, is, by itself, conclusive proof of attachment to Englishmen. As hatred to one class does not of necessity prove affection to another, it might have been desirable to have some additional evidence, some further test by which the sincerity of the Canadian's regard for Britons might have been shown. Such further evidence of attachment towards Englishmen has not only been wanting, but abundant proofs of the contrary have been repeatedly furnished, in the various proceedings of the