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Much is said and written about our want of patriotic sentiment. We accuse ourselves of a divided affection. So long as our parents retain a greater love for the old regime, than they cherish for the new, it is hard for us in the new, to claim credit for the patriotism we possess. We blame not our parents for *their* love for *their* native country. We make it the excuse for *our* love for *ours*, and we follow their example when we strive loyally to perform every duty which that love requires of us.

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