

How many of us realize that Great Britain is still the envy of the world in her manufactures, and that she is not dead, but very much alive, as the Canadian Manufacturers found out on their recent tour to Great Britain. But why all this? For one simple and sufficient reason. We must be up and doing. In unity is strength. If this Empire is to grow strong, not only must we protect ourselves from without, but fortify ourselves from within. Bind ourselves together in peace as well as in war, and how? By lending to each other in all parts of the Empire a helping hand in all matters relating to progress made in every other part in the Sciences and Arts, and Literary, and Commercial, or Industrial pursuits.

Will such an Act or Acts, as is proposed, affect this object? In my humble opinion I think it will. To put my ideas briefly, one of the main objects of such an Imperial Act is to benefit the Empire by spreading throughout the Dominion or States thereof, continually, accurate knowledge of progress as it takes place in all parts of the King's Dominions, by means of printed publication of all Letters Patent granted for new and useful inventions, thereby serving to bring all the portions of the Empire into closer touch industrially and commercially through the Arts and Sciences, as by common sentiment they are brought together by our King, "the key stone of our Empire."