

whose agency it is perhaps not too much to assert that no public object of dignity or importance can, in the present day, be reached.

These means, so vast in attainment, so powerful in agency, and yet so simple in contrivance, are expressible in a single word: and that word is—ORGANIZATION.

Under the strongest conviction of the necessity of such a step, an Association has been formed in this City, of a provisional and preliminary character, under the name of the BRITISH AMERICAN LEAGUE. Under the view which has been taken of its duties, by those already enrolled as members of this Association, we exhort the inhabitants of this Province, in its different localities, to the formation of Societies, for the purpose of promoting discussion of the great questions now agitating the Province.

We recommend the election of Delegates by each Society, to attend a Convention at such time and place as shall be, by a majority of such Societies, determined on.

That Societies numbering 100 members and upwards shall be entitled to elect one Delegate; 300 and upwards, two Delegates; 600 and upwards, three Delegates; and 1000 and upwards, four Delegates.

That at such Convention a General Association shall be formed, and called by such name as may then be determined upon.

That such General Association shall consist of the Societies then formed, and those which may be formed thereafter.

That the Societies so united shall be divided into a Central and Assistant Societies, in correspondence with it at the various places where they may be formed.

That it shall be the duty of such Convention, by a majority of its members, to decide upon and publish a declaration of their opinions upon the commercial and political questions of the day, and it shall be the duty of such Societies, both Central and Assistant, to aid in carrying out the views of the Convention, by all practicable and lawful means.

Upon this general basis, allowing of course for modification of detail, it is hoped that something like unity of action may be attained by the inhabitants of this Province, upon matters affecting not only their most material and immediate interests, but also the interests and the honour of the great nation with which we are connected.

To maintain that connection inviolate, has ever been, and still is, the ardent wish of every member of the League. We devoutly hope that no measure of injustice may ever be inflicted—no power may ever be abused—to the extent of provoking reflecting men to the contemplation of an alliance with a foreign power; and if there be, as some have said, a time when all colonies must, in the course of human events, throw off their dependence on the Parent State, and if in our generation that time should be destined to arrive, we predict that, *if true to ourselves, it will not come until no British hands remain able to hoist the flag of England on the rock of Quebec, and no British voices survive able to shout, "GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!"*

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