

many others unnecessary to enumerate here, that were they millions strong, their first and last wish would be a continuation of their connection with Great Britain. The examples of the Fœderal States as already observed would operate so powerfully as to preclude all idea of the remaining British colonies ever wishing for a change.

In regard to their falling into the hands of the States of America, I will venture to say, that while the British keep possession of the out forts, that were the whole power of Congress, which is not so very great as some perhaps suppose, over such a free and independent people (that think for themselves,) as the inhabitants of the United States are, were levelled against Canada (even in its present state,) and an attempt made to conquer it, it would be attended with no less disgrace and disaster, than that which had lately befallen the British arms in endeavouring to subdue themselves. The Canadians would take fire to a man at such an attempt, to which the recent sufferings of the loyal Americans, some of whose fathers, brothers, and nearest relations were killed (or hanged,) in cold blood, would give such an additional spur to their resentment, as would make it nearly if not as bloody to them as that in which they are now engaged with the In-

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