

origin of a large portion of the best citizens of Canada is that which sprang from the repudiation of republican principles. It must never be forgotten that the present stock of Canadians sprang first from that band of United Empire Loyalists that deliberately left the United States at the time of the Revolution. Sacrificing their firesides, their fortunes, and their future, they removed from this country to the wilds of Canada on the score of loyalty to the British Crown. The world has never yet afforded a proper estimate to the sturdy loyalty, to the strength of resolve, and to the high principle which actuated these men. They sacrificed enormously; they assumed tremendous risks, and they secured slender rewards for adhesion to the monarchical form of government and the love for British connection. Surprise may now well be expressed at this sacrifice. Some may even smile at the folly and the apparent senselessness of such a withdrawal from the grand chances opened in this country. But the fact remains that it is from a race capable of such sacrifices that a large body of the Canadians have sprung. Viewing the American Revolution as rebellion in the highest degree, their children have since been brought up in the nurture and admonition of loyalty, and the belief that the American republic meant a life-long treason to a right that they had been taught was the Divine Right of Kings. Was it any wonder that in England and in Canada, when the Civil War broke out there should be a sentiment prevailing that that rebellion was but the result of a previous rebellion? Was it any wonder that when men ignorant of what had occurred here in the shape of good to mankind, felt that, as it was said by the Manchester man, "If the devil don't get the North and South there was no use in leaving a devil?" It is difficult