

cret and ill-judged measures of the English government, but they believed that there should be a reconsideration of the relations between the colonies and the parent state, and that constitutional methods alone should be followed until the people attained a redress of grievances. They were not prepared to raise the flag of rebellion, but suffered and fought for the maintenance of one free, industrial and pacific empire.

Men and women were treated with great cruelty, even at the time when the questions at issue were still matters for argument and debate, and not for tarring and feathering or mob violence. Some allowance might be made for the heat of passion during the civil war, but no extenuating circumstances appeared at a later period when the conditions of the treaty of peace had to be carried out, and the Loyalists were expected to receive just and humane treatment. At last, however, in the United States themselves, writers deplore the treatment which forced these people to seek other lands.

No less than sixty graduates of Harvard, Yale and other American colleges, men who had occupied the highest positions in the old colonies, descendants of the Puritans of New England, of the Cavaliers of Virginia, and of the Huguenots, found their way to the shores of the Atlantic. The venerable rector of Shelburne, in Nova Scotia, is the youngest son of one of these men, Gideon White, who was the great-grandson of the first born of New England. Joseph Howe was the son of one of the owners of the *Boston News-Letter*, the first permanent paper of America. Miner Huntington, the father of the eminent liberal and friend of Howe, was a member of the Cromwell family. The name of Bayard will be recognized as that of a family of Huguenot descent, which has given not only a learned physician and philanthropic citizen to St. John, but also an eminent statesman to the neighboring republic. The Robinsons, Tisdales, Merritts, and other founders of well-known Ontario families, went first to Nova Scotia, and then at a later date to the West. In the records of the Maritime Provinces we find for a hundred years the names of Ludlow, Putnam, Billop, Oliver, Tyng, Botsford, Peters, Winslow, Chandler, Byles, Stockton, Leonard, Chipman, Wetmore, Parker, Ward, Allen, Upham, Scovil, Robinson, Saunders, Haliburton, Wilkins, Wilmot, Jones, Marshall, Cunard, Blowers, Bliss, Odell, Inglis, and many others almost as distinguished. In the St. Lawrence valley we find Bethune, Stuart, Robinson, Tisdale, Keefer, Hagerman, Ryerson, Cartwright,