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Mr. Smith foresees a crisis in the relations between England and this country, if the attempt to erect Canada into a military confederacy is not abandoned. Already, he says, the forbearance of the United States has been severely tested.

"The British officers of the colonial garrisons cultivate among the coloniats an antipathy to their neighbors, which is always breaking out in manifestations like the recent oyation to Jefferson Davis, very irritating, though they may not form grounds for war; and which, during the American rebellion, took the shape not only of insults most galling to a nation in that hour of its states and states and states and with a should safety of its class of the shape not only of insults most galling to a nation in that hour of its states and the shape in that hour of its states and the shape in the American rebellion, took the shape not only of insults most galling to a nation in that hour of its states and the shape in the s of seeing the Mississippi pass into hostile hands was one great moving cause of the mercial man, or community at all events,

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