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THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS FOR WESTERN CANADA.

"There will be thousands of Americans coming up here in the spring," was the remark made by a farmer from the vicinity of Langdon, North Dakota, when he arrived in Winnipeg, Manitoba, the capital of Western Canada, a few days since. He was the advance guard of a large body who are following him, and he has already invested in several farming sections for himself and others and purposes to take up his permanent abode in this country. He went on to say: "Hundreds are coming from my district alone. I know this to be a fact for many of them are neighbors of mine. The chief topic of conversation with the farmers is the coming immigration in the spring."

"The impression general in the part of Dakota where I live that farmers can get from 10 to 15 cents more a bushel for wheat on the American side of the line than on the Canadian has not prevented people from turning their eyes to Canada as a place to live in. They know they can get land in this country which is every bit as fertile as that in Dakota at about one-quarter the price. It is safe to say that the exodus from Dakota into Canada this year will exceed the expectations of all Canadians."

The government has established agencies at St. Paul, Minn.; Omaha, Neb.; Kansas City, Mo.; Chicago, Ill.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Wausau, Wis.; Detroit, Sault Ste. Marie, and Marquette, Mich.; Toledo, Ohio; Watertown, S. Dakota; Grand Forks, N. Dakota, and Great Falls, Mont., and the suggestion is made that by addressing any of these, who are the authorized agents of the government, it will be to the advantage of the reader, who will be given the fullest and most authentic information regarding the results of mixed farming, dairying, ranching and grain-raising, and also supply information as to freight and passenger rates, etc., etc.

Booth and the Statesmen.
General Booth, the Salvation Army leader, cracked a few jokes with statesmen while he was in Washington. Senator Frye said to him: "When I was in London I was much interested in your organization. In fact, I thought of joining." "Better not," said the general; "you would not submit to our discipline." Senator Alger said he understood Hanna intended to join. "Ah, I should make him my chancellor of the exchequer," was the revivalist's reply. Senator Hoar was introduced jocularly as "the worst man in the senate." "That's good," said the general heartily. "I want to meet all kinds. The bad I want to help and the good I want to help me."

How Tolstoi Was "Exiled."
Paul B. Du Chailu writes to a friend from Russia, where he is busy getting up a book about the country, that the Russian government treats Tolstoi well; that the great writer's photographs are for sale in St. Petersburg, as well as postal cards with his likeness on. The czar himself laughed, when Du Chailu told him it was reported in America that Tolstoi had been sent out of Russia in charge of rindames, and said, "Why should he be exiled?" Mr. Du Chailu does not deny that Tolstoi was excommunicated by the synod.

The Ketteler Statue.
On the busiest street in Pekin, over the spot where Baron von Ketteler met his tragic death in 1900, a huge monument is now being erected in his honor entirely at the expense of the Chinese government. It is to be in the form of a "polla," or triumphal gateway, and is to extend entirely across the street. The top stone is twenty-seven feet long, three feet wide and three feet thick. One hundred and eighty mules were used to draw it to the street and fifty-seven mules to draw each of the smaller stones. It will cost China \$160,000 in gold.

Germanic Museum For Harvard College

From the Germanic art museum to be erected at Harvard college will ultimately develop a museum scheme that shall comprehend the three great branches of Continental art. Germanic, Slavic and Romanesque. This original Germanic art conception, as a nucleus, has broadened to a far more liberal and general plan.

The accompanying cuts show only a portion of what Harvard hopes to develop eventually from the Germanic art beginning. At present the building plans include erection only of the structure shown in the first drawing. The other portions to be added on as opportunity shall permit, are to accommodate the other divisions according to the scheme to which the original plan has now developed.

As a Germanic art museum the first part to be built will be an entirely new idea for this country, though Old World museums devoted to distinctive racial divisions. Appropriate to this distinctive idea, the exterior architecture of each racial division will be characteristic of the art exhibit within. So the Germanic structure, to be built first, will have an outer appearance indicating that Germanic art is contained within.

The collection of Germanic art treasures, which has been placed temporarily in the Rogers building, occupies nearly all the floor space. When the galvano plastic casts, gifts of Emperor William, arrive, there will not be space enough left to accommodate them to advantage. The problem of inadequate quarters is increasing, and it is hoped to begin work soon on the new structure.

Architect G. Howard Walker says of the intended structure: "The museum which is proposed has as its initial scheme the possibility of addition by successive courts when needed. The first building erected will, therefore, be one side of the

first large court, and it is this portion alone which has been detailed on the plans. This portion is to be devoted to the Germanic Museum. As affiliated collections, such as would form museums of the Romance or of the Slavic nations, may require space, the courts will be completed side by side, forming eventually a series of courts some of which will be cloistered, and all of which will be parked, and will contain statues and other objects too large for the interior of the museum. As each wing is erected it is proposed to make slight changes in the details of the windows, gables and entrances, which will indicate to an extent the change and variety of the work contained in the rooms within, for instance, the main facade and center roof and dormers over the large hall have the distinct German detail of the Schloss at Heidelberg—one of the gables, the round arched windows of the Romanesque work, indicating the change to the Romance Museum in this direction, another the stepped gables of the Fleisch hall at Harlem, indicating the Flemish court, etc.

"The actual start in building will be limited to a structure measuring 180 feet in front and sixty feet wide, divided into a floor area of four rooms, 70x30 feet, and a central hall forty feet square. To this are to be added the successive courts, till Harvard will have a museum of distinctive national art to surpass anything in the world.

"In general building plan the museum will be two stories high, built of brick and stone. In its entirety this great art institution will exceed all New World efforts."—Boston Sunday Journal.

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SYMPATHY OUT OF PLACE

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"Out West, a few years ago, while journeying around with a friend of mine, I overheard a conversation which goes to show that sympathy is often misplaced," said the roving man, "and the moral is that by any means a bad one. The quick way in which the man turned on his friend, who had offered him an abundance of sympathy, so far as sympathy can be extended by mere words, was very amusing and showed that the fellow was quick-witted and unusually bright, despite the fact that he had fallen into a rather rough road."

"The young man had been out West for some time. He had gone out there with the idea that he could win a fortune, but instead of finding the way to success a smooth one, it was rather rough and rocky, marred by thorns to prick the feet, pitfalls and all that kind of thing. Put in plain, unpoetic language he was run down at the heel and bagging at the knee. In order to make a living he had been forced to become a pie merchant on a small scale. He was in this business when we found him, and had a small movable stand on the corner of two streets in a well known mining town. My friend recognized him at a glance, and rushed up to greet him. The fellow seemed to be just a little embarrassed and my friend thought it would be the proper thing to do to offer a little sympathy."

"Sorry to see you situated as you are, old fellow, and in this business," said my friend feelingly.

"D— your sympathy. Buy a pie," was the quick rejoinder of the vender, and in a few moments we had left him shrieking out his wares to men who passed that way."

"At least he convinced my friend that there are moments in a man's life when the mere sympathy of the mouth, no matter how earnest or how fervent the words, can not meet the requirements of the case, and that the real and only way to offer help in such instances is to buy a pie."

RULE WORKED BOTH WAYS.

And if Anything, the Ducky Had the Best of It.

At a country fair a free for all horse show was organized. Among the early entries was a small beast, ridden by a voluble individual, who pulled from his pocket a long document and commenced to entertain the crowd by reading the pedigree of his steed. He was the center of attraction until a colored man rode in, mounted upon a splendid black—large, glossy and symmetrical.

Without waiting for an invitation from the rider the crowd soon gathered about the beautiful horse and many questions were asked, which the negro modestly answered. Soon the white man and his diminutive quadruped were left practically by themselves, and the rider found himself smarting from wounded pride. He watched the new arrival for a short time, and then rode over.

"Where is your horse's pedigree?" he roared.

"I dunno, boss; I reckon he hain't got none. He's des plain boss."

"Oh, well, darn a horse without a pedigree!" shouted the disgruntled white man, and he swung the precious record of his own animal over his head, proclaiming what it was and how long it was. Then he started to ride away. The negro looked at the little beast over his shoulder, rolled his eyes and retorted, "Yes, darn a horse without a pedigree, is it? Well, darn a pedigree widout a horse! Dat's whut I says."

Two Birds.

The birds there are that I do love— The turkey and the eagle; One walks the earth, one soars above The clouds, supreme and regal. The turkey, too, can fly, but he aims not at elevation; Some safe limb of an apple tree Best suits his humble station.

By night, there, from his wily foe, The fox, he's safe, and slumbers All undisturbed by any foe; That mortal dreaming cumbers; By day, in orchard wandering, He humbly seeks his living; Unconscious of the joy he'll bring To gourmands on Thanksgiving.

And while the eagle, pinion borne, Doth cleave the vaulted azure, He gobbles up the golden corn And gobbles forth his pleasure, And, daily adding to his girth, For man his chief attraction, So fits, this bird of solid worth, His role with satisfaction.

Each in his sphere has rightful fame; The eagle first in favor As emblem of the nation's aim, The turkey for his flavor. But while the eagle's chief renown Lies in his life, a winner, The turkey's still, when dead and brown, Served for Thanksgiving dinner.

Senator Perkins' Idea.
Senator George C. Perkins of California has some unusual ideas regarding the election of United States Senators, and on account of these he refused to listen to the appeals of his friends to go to California during the recent senatorial fight there.

"I regard the members of the legislature," said he, "as the jury of the people, so far as the election of senators is concerned. Before the election of the legislature I made a campaign which extended the length and breadth of my state. I told the people that I was a candidate for re-election and I made my promises to them. They elected a Republican legislature, and by so doing made that legislature their jury. When opposition appeared to my re-election my friends urged me to leave Washington and personally conduct my case before the legislature, but I do not think it is right for senators to try to influence the action of legislatures, so I remained in Washington. In other words, I refused to tamper with the jury."



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