

# UNCLE SAM'S KEEN EYE ON FUTURE CITIZENS

## PHYSICIANS OF EXPERIENCE MEET IMMIGRANTS AT LANDING PORTS.

### EXAMINATION IS SEVERE

#### LONG PRACTICE HAS ENABLED DOCTORS TO NOTE DISEASE SYMPTOMS AT A GLANCE.

Few "Undesirables" Gain Admission to the Promised Land, Though Attempts to Deceive the Inspectors Are Made—Routine at the Port of Boston—Dr. Safford Tells of All Sorts of Tricks Played—"Fake Citizens" as a General Thing Are Easily Spotted—Some Pathetic Stories Told.

Boston.—When Uncle Sam learns that a fresh batch of would-be citizens are headed for Boston from foreign shores, he sends Dr. M. V. Safford and Dr. Hugo B. C. Reimer down to meet them when they arrive.

The two physicians are keen men of long experience. They can spot disease symptoms at a glance. When an army of immigrants march on the United States through this port, they weed them out with the most minute care. In matters of means, ability to be self-supporting and business intentions, the immigrants must satisfy other agents of Uncle Sam. But first and foremost they must run the gauntlet of the keen, unprejudiced eyes of the two doctors.

Dr. Safford and his assistant, Dr. Reimer, pass on every one of the thousands of immigrants that enter the port of Boston. They meet with strange experiences, they are ever the objects of cunning subterfuge and piteous supplication, and they make few errors.

Word comes to the immigration officers at Long wharf that a great ship with hundreds of immigrants on board is due at quarantine at such-and-such a time. The doctors know by the location of the port of embarkation about what class of immigrant they will have to deal with, and they prepare for him.

Boarded at Quarantine. When the ship reaches quarantine, the physicians are waiting to board her. They begin at once with the second cabin passengers after "looking over," surreptitiously, the passengers in the saloon. The second cabin passengers are submitted to a rigid examination, for long experience has taught the medical authorities that a



Brought His Bird from Sicily.

greater proportion of defectives is to be found in the second cabin than in the steerage.

If the ship docks just before dusk or very late in the afternoon, the examination is likely to be deferred until morning. In that event, there is greater excitement on board than ever. The immigrants, most of them ignorant and illiterate, know only that they have at last reached the promised land, toward which they have been journeying for days; they feel only that the time has come for them to meet their friends, to look into the new world.

The delay chafes them. They crowd and crush about the decks, quarrelsome and cantankerous. Few of them sleep. They wait, sullen and silent, through the long dark hours, their eyes fastened on the roofs of the low sheds and the shadowy outlines of the tall buildings of the water front. They chatter at times. Sometimes there is a fight. There is crying of babies. Occasionally the sharp voice of a guard rings out from above.

Some Who May Not Land. They look very eager and healthy and robust as they stand in the light of early dawn on the steamer decks. But there are some in that throng who can never enter the country, some who have made the long journey for

#### WAYS OF THE ORIENT.

System of Brigandage Brought to Perfection in Manchuria.

Of brigandage in northern Manchuria the North China Daily News says: "As a result of careful investigation and at the imminent risk of his life, a daring member of the Palyang secret service has, after an absence of nearly seven months, brought back to headquarters a report that there are now in northern Manchuria close upon 18,000 exceedingly well-armed and well-provided "Hungtutze" (Red-beards), as the mounted bandits of Manchuria are called. These are divided into a great many bands of from 150 to 200 each among the smaller ones and from 800 to 1,000 among the larger aggregations, but all of them giving allegiance to three principal chiefs who have the power of life and death over their men. Of the booty taken by a band two-fifths must be handed over to the general exchequer, which provides arms and ammunition. If attacked by an outside enemy and whenever called upon the men under

nothing, who must bid good-by to their luckier friends and return to the perils, lonely land from which they started. It is for those two physicians are waiting.

At seven o'clock everything is ready. The gangplank, carefully roped off and guarded, stretches from the deck to a door in the side of the shed. This door admits to a narrow passage which winds around mysteriously, and suddenly swings into a wider space, between iron railings forming an inverted V. At the apex stands Dr. Safford, with Dr. Reimer at his elbow. Grouped around them are women agents from the various charity organizations, on the lookout for homeless and unaccompanied girls vainly expecting lovers who never come.

At last the word is given. The quartermasters who have been holding the immigrants back on the steamer's decks step aside, and with a rush and deafening shout the crowd begins to pour into the narrow aisle. The Sicilians are first. They press forward hungrily, and the others fall back behind them. Up the aisle they come. Their luggage has been left piled and checked on the decks, but almost every man tenderly carries a crated can slung from his shoulder. It contains home-made olive oil, the real kind, and he hopes to have the delicacy for a reminder of old days at home when he settles in the new country.

Task Not Always Pleasant. It isn't a pleasant task the head quartermaster has before him. Perchance he is stout and portly. He then suffers some inconvenience, he put it mildly, and his occasional re-



A Bit of the Deck.

marks ancient immigrants in general and some in particular are not intended always for gentle ears.

Dr. Safford stands ready, pencil in hand. Before him is a white enameled stand with pitcher and basin of medicated water. This, for the benefit of those wily newcomers who attempt to conceal natural defects or wounds beneath a generous portion of dirt.

There is the noise of prodigious scuffling outside the door in the passageway and the next moment around the corner appears the broad, buxom form and smiling face of a woman. It is evident that the men, eager as they are, have bowed to courtesy. The woman comes down the aisle slowly, with a bewildered expression, until Dr. Safford admonishes her sharply in her own dialect, and she steps toward him. He stops her for a moment, turns her eyelids back and twists her ear. Then he turns her into the outward aisle leading to the main shed, where she will await the examination of the immigration inspectors.

Ex-Soldiers Easily Told. Once in a while an ex-soldier will appear. It is more than easy to spot him. He swings around the door with the precision of long practice, and with chest extended and head thrown back he marches toward the doctor as he would toward an inspecting officer. Invariably he is allowed to pass with a smile of approbation, and occasionally he brings his hand sharply to the salute as he turns the corner.

It is an interesting sight. Now there comes a little, under-sized Calabrian who looks as though he combined the burden and woes of Atlas and Job. The doctor is attracted to a peculiarity in his color. He stops him and Dr. Reimer takes his temperature. It is no less than 104. "Must have malaria," says the doctor, and the little fellow is turned aside.

Continuously, without pause, the line passes. The group in the detention room swells. The unfortunates sit with resigned faces and watch their healthier fellows swarm toward freedom.

The examination which, to the layman, seems so cursory is, in reality, wonderfully severe and searching. Dr. Safford has had years of experience, has passed tens of thousands of immigrants and knows their normal characteristics as he knows their languages.

What in a Finn would not excite the least suspicion on the part of the doctor would, if seen in an Italian,

the three principal chiefs are bound by oath to gather together under one banner, the oldest and most experienced of the three becoming by right of seniority chief of the whole force.

"Owing to the famine a number of refugees at Chinkiang are reported to be now digging for a kind of white clay to be found near that port, which they use to mix with food and vegetables, as it is said to give a 'satisfying' feeling to the hungry consumer," says a Chinese newspaper. "Continued eating, however, brings dangerous results to the health of the consumer, often fatal. This white clay is called by the natives 'Kuan Yin len,' or flour of Kuan Yin (the goddess of mercy). News of this having reached the ears of Viceroy Tuan Fang at Nanking, his excellency has instructed the local authorities in Chinkiang to test the clay in question and its degrees of harmfulness to consumers of the stuff. His excellency has also sent from his own private purse \$500 to purchase bona fide flour to distribute to diggers of the clay, in case it be discovered to be dangerous." This curious fashion note was

cause him to make a careful examination. Types and natural characteristics mean much.

Many Tricks Played. In the course of his work Dr. Safford runs into some strange characters. Immigrants will come jauntily



A Test of Strength.

down the aisle, carelessly swinging a derby hat over what is apparently a hand. The doctor is suspicious, removes the hat and finds that there is no hat.

Besides the examinations to determine the soundness of the body, there are tests of strength for those who look particularly suspicious. Carrying a heavy bag of sand is one of the criteria of bodily vigor.

"They try all sorts of tricks," said Dr. Safford. "I remember the first case of one kind I ran into. I have a new cradle has been invented—and by a man. Which latter statement is a redundancy—for no up-to-date woman would really ever think of inventing anything so pernicious to her infant's welfare. Has she not been enlightened to the dreadful ills of that time-honored institution of our ancestors? Dare she imperil the intellect that is to sway the twentieth century by untimely 'juggling' in its embryo stage? Poor modern babe! When colic's gripes assail, it may not know the luxury of a steady tramp swung across father's shoulder—strange to say, men do not jeer at this diction of the new motherhood—much less will it experience the bliss of being lulled to rest in a wooden-slatted cradle or fluffly bassinet, swayed by the foot of a wondrous being who swings and croons, and swings and croons, till baby woes are merged in blessed sleep. Its maker claims that sideways rocking is, indeed, injurious to babykins, but to his eyes, not his brain. Therefore has he constructed a cradle that swings lengthwise, and is shaped like a boat!"

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#### COULD HARDLY TOTTER ABOUT.

A Vivid Description of the Most Incurable of Diseases.

Miss Emma Shirley, Killbuck, N. Y., writes: "Kidney disease mysteriously fastened itself upon me two years ago and brought awful headaches and dizzy spells. I was all unstrung, weak and nervous, could scarcely totter about. Pains in the side and back completely unnerved me. My food distressed me, I looked badly and the kidneys were noticeably deranged. I sank lower and lower until given up and at this critical time began with Doan's Kidney Pills. Details are unnecessary. Twelve boxes cured me and I weigh six pounds more than ever before. They saved my life." Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

#### MAN AND HIS WAYS.

Fertile Brain Has Evolved a New Style of Cradle.

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#### THE STORY OF A WISCONSIN MAN IN WESTERN CANADA.

Three Years Ago Worth Only \$2,000; To-Day is Worth \$13,000.

The following is a copy of a letter, of which the Agents of the Canadian Government throughout the United States receive similar ones many times during the year:

Cayley, Alta., Dec. 7, 1906. Agent Canadian Government, Watertown, S. D.

Dear Sir: Your letter dated Nov. 27th at hand and was very glad to hear from you. I see that you are still at work persuading people to move into the Canadian Northwest. I must tell you that I owe you many thanks for persuading me to come out here, am only sorry that I wasn't persuaded sooner, and there is still plenty of good chances for many more right at the present time. I hope that you will be able to induce more to make a start out to this part of the country.

Now I must tell you what I have accomplished since I came out here and it won't be three years till the 1st of July. I shall shortly receive my patent for my homestead, the homestead cost me \$10.00 in all, to-day it is worth \$30.00 per acre, but it is not for sale. Then a year ago last May I bought 320 acres at \$7.00 per acre and sold this fall for \$20.00 per acre and cleared a profit of \$4,160.00. How is that for the Northwest? I now have 320 acres of land and all paid for, 15 head of horses, 30 head of cattle, 22 pigs, 2 sheep and about 150 chickens and other poultry, and all new machinery and everything is paid for. We also bought 8 lots in Calgary and 7 in High River. We gave \$470 for the 15 lots and they are paid for. At present I consider myself worth \$13,000.00, and when I left Wisconsin less than three years ago I had about \$2,000.00. This year I threshed a little over 4,000 bushels of grain, have about one thousand bushels of fine potatoes and about five hundred bushels of turnips. Mrs. Beisiegel sold about \$200 worth of garden truck and poultry this fall. Now there are lots of others in this community who did as well as I did in the same length of time.

The family and myself are all well at this writing and hope this letter will find you the same.

Yours very truly, (Signed) PHILIP BEISIEGEL, Cayley, Alta., Canada.

Perhaps He Was the One to Blame. Hicks—He first met his wife when he was on a camping trip down in the Maine woods, but their marriage isn't happy.

Wicks—Ah, I see. He mistook her for a dear.

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"What was Salson doing?" was the first question.

"Oh, he was slashing around."

"Well, sir, just what do you mean by that?"

"Why, he was knocking about him here and there."

"Now, sir, kindly tell us plainly what Salson did to this man."

"Why, he—he enticed him," said the old minister slowly. "He enticed him with a crowbar. He used the crowbar to persuade the man—to entice him; and by a series of pokes and blows he succeeded in doing it," said the minister, mildly.

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