

the threads in this immense loom of humanity. Through and through these, back and forth, in and out, the spirit of brotherhood and a feeling of interdependence constantly move, weaving the great political and social fabric of the world. When the fabric is completed we shall see the pattern.

I have said that here on the virgin soil of this New World patriotism has secured the safest foot-hold for the individual. Here, too, despite the monetary strifes of self-interest, I believe this spirit of brotherhood is most advanced. Comprehending, as it does, the length and breadth, and height and depth, and ultimate end of human existence and endeavor, what better theatre does the broad earth offer for the struggle, what nobler ambition could appeal to the hearts of the young men of the republic? Today, young men of the republic, as we stand with hearts eager and hands outstretched to take hold somewhere in this mighty work, may we not see, as in some momentary lifting of the curtain of eternity, the nations assembled in one vast congregation to look on while America shall lay the corner stone of the temple of Universal Brotherhood? Above it the eternal structure of the International Community shall be built up. There shall be as many columns and arches in that structure as there are nations upon the earth. Within each one the spirit of true patriotism and universal brotherhood shall animate each being.

And if you and I have fought to unite all men in this true bond of humanity, that shall make the whole world a home, and "love" the watchword upon the outer walls, will it not be enough to have heard, as we surely shall, the "well done" of God, the Father.

Literary Crumbs.

Lida Rose McCabe is preparing a little book on "Higher Education of Women in America."

President Carnot has bestowed the Cross of the Legion of Honor on Henry Harrisse,

an American residing in Paris. Mr. Harrisse is the author of several works on the life, discoveries, and times of Columbus.

Putnams have in press an *edition de luxe* of Washington Irving's "Columbus," in three volumes, illustrated and limited to four hundred and one copies, numbered from 1492 to 1892 inclusive. President Harrison will be given the copy numbered 1492, and President-elect Cleveland the copy numbered 1892.

Literary people are much interested in the appearance on the lecture platform of the novelist, Mr. F. Marion Crawford, and his readings are pronounced most delightful by his hearers. Besides being a weaver of fiction, Mr. Crawford is an athlete. He is thoroughly familiar with German, French and Italian, and reads Latin, Greek, Sanskrit, Arabic and Persian; and he has some knowledge of Russian and Turkish.

An edition of the "Short History" of John Richard Greene, is announced by Harpers. Scattered throughout the pages are illustrations of great historical interest and authenticity, the aim of which has been to show how men and things appeared to the lookers-on of their own day, and how contemporary observers aim at representing them. The pictures are cuts of early household implements, of antiques, and manuscript illuminations of remote English times. All these are accompanied by a series of notes; and the knowledge of English archæology displayed is not more striking than is the intelligence with which the notes tell exactly what one needs to know.

In the February *Cosmopolitan*, Mr. S. C. Crawford pays tribute to the late James G. Blaine as the greatest exponent of our national peace policy. The article concludes with the following lines: "In the light of the civilization of the new century, will not the fame of the apostle of peace shine as brightly as the fame of even the greatest and the most merciless of the heroes skilled in the art and science of war." H. C. Farnham