

FROM LOUISIANA TO LABRADOR.
 We trust that the day is at hand—perhaps within a twelve-month—when the arches, within a two hours, by the so-called Mobile Railroad, to Pass Christian and the summer seats around it, will convert those pleasant shores into a more suburb of our city, and render our population no longer a migratory one, sojourners, like the cranes, at the coming of summer, and only to return on the wings of Frost. It is a consummation devoutly to be wished. For a movable people must always have certain faults; and only a stay-at-home people can cultivate some of the most necessary virtues.

Meanwhile, such of us as must perforce wander or whom want of ties at home or curiosity of health or a mere "trout disposition" impels to roam, should heed to our around them and choose their itinerary of the season.

A wise man will eschew the sea. We should have had more, we had been meant for the deep sea. In fact, he of all animals, the least fitted for it. Others can drink its brine; he cannot. Others are natural swimmers; he is not; not at all. He is a sea-sick; and yet he is absurd enough to turn mariner, in spite of all the just causes which have urged him to invent ships! In fact, the good patriarch, not been in a great strait, he certainly never would have earned sailor. That wise people the Egyptians bowed their primitive sagacity by nothing more than by looking upon the realm of salt water as abominable; and there is no prayer in the Litany fuller of undesired compassion or human error than that for the people "who go down to the sea in ships."

Keep to your own element, then. As well take to ballooning as to sailing; as well to a bird as a fish. Stick to your own industry. The "continental policy" is the only safe one. There's "ample room and verge enough" within our own WVA (as General Washington says) "leave our WVA to stand on foreign ground!"

Let us travel, then; but easy-going. The sea is too rough for safety; the mere lead too long to diversions. Give us the smooth-gliding steam-argery of our great rivers the Mississippi and the St. Lawrence, with the swift-wheeling arg that connect them.

We were lately meditating these matters and planning whither to run, this summer, in order to supply, from strange shores, to our beloved readers, something gay, more various, and more adventurous than we could help to furnish, out of the still life of our own half-suspended animation, our sweltering summer here. Happily, fate, fortune, or the spirit of American enterprise, which has largely superseded other, threw in our way a learned traveler, who, to our delight, by showing us how easily and even how delightfully we might, from this side, realize what our portland glimpse into a portion of the same great theatre of the curious and the picturesque had already suggested.

We had already seen, at intervals, the grand stream of the Mississippi; without, however, breaking into the peculiar world of the prairie; so we touched upon the noble shores of our own fresh water seas; we had heard the thunders of Niagara; had passed along Ontario; and had roamed among the lumber-men, the wild borders of the lakes of Maine and New Hampshire, catching their trout, and hunting their moose among tangled forests, wild mountains, and multitudinous little lakes, which regions whose sylvan beauties want nothing but the pastoral pine and croak to make them new Arden, and in spite of the unromantic race that inhabit them. Still, there can be nothing finer to dream over the Golden Age and heroics in our traveler, who proves to be a certain skillful and seducing Col. Berber, the agent of the Lake Ontario and St. Lawrence Steamboat Company, (for, now-a-days, the most attractive company has become a matter of speculation and contract) showed us how all this, which we had heretofore beheld only pared-wise, might be reached collectively, and turned into one great summer range of adventure, to explore our own mighty river of the Mississippi up to St. Louis; hence to traverse the prairie; to coast or to navigate the great lakes, looking into the cities that are rising up, like the towers, above of the Cats Mountains, upon their margins; and then, to the more isolated St. Lawrence, and the gently Quebec, either to descend to that strange river of unrivaled salmon-fishing, the Saguenay; or to traverse Nova Scotia and its primitive population of French habitants, shooting reindeer and moose, and spearing or fishing salmon and trout, back to the St. John's, and thence into Maine; or else to cross at one from Montreal, by the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad, to the White Mountains; and, after visiting their heights, and lingering among the fishy lakes and their feet, to make one's way, as the season advances, towards the gates of Saratoga, and the amusements of New York, until, these being exhausted and the breathing market of our own great delta once more depleted by frost, we may once more by home again and find the roses and the violets, the tomatoes and the crabs, the bananas, the figs, and a whole world of such dainties still blossoming or ripening, though the frosts may have come, just enough to chase everything but the perpetual bloom of our climate; whose winter is sweeter than the spring, whose wastes are richer than the fertility of other lands.

We have sketched, for our run-away readers, what we know to be a delightful ramble. The boats of this Canadian part of it are famous, and the scenery which they traverse unrivaled. Should they meet, about the parlous of the St. Charles, the very jolly and gentlemanly voyager of whom we have spoken, they will do well to ask his guidance; or, missing him here, to go to St. Louis and inquire for him.

The commencement exercises of the Law Department of the University of Louisiana will take place to-day, at 12 o'clock, at the Lyceum Hall.

We return our thanks to Mr. Wm. Y. Cobb, Clerk of the steamer H. M. Wright, for notices and Vicksburg papers.

We are indebted to the clerk of the steamer Robert J. Ward for Louisville papers, and to the clerk of the Red River steamer St. Charles for Shreveport papers.

VERANDA HOTEL.—It will be seen by an advertisement in another column, that the prices at this excellent hotel have been materially lessened by the proprietor. The Veranda is one of the best directed hotels in the city; and this, together with its central location, makes it one of the most advantageous stopping-places for the stranger or transient resident which our city affords.

DE SOTO DISCOVERING THE MISSISSIPPI.—We learn with pleasure that Powell's great picture of De Soto Discovering the Mississippi is on its way to New Orleans and will be an exhibition here one week, commencing on the 8th instant. There will also be an exhibition at the same time portraits from life by the same author of Eugene Sue, Dumas and Lamartine.

FOR LOUISIANA.—This evening at 6 o'clock the swift and superb steamer Robert J. Ward leaves for Louisville. At this season of the year many strangers and temporary residents are leaving the city for the North; and to such we would recommend the Ward; for no boat with better accommodations runs on the river, and none that boasts a more manly and gentlemanly captain or more attentive clerks.

Thomas Francis Mearns, Esq., was lecturing at Macon, Ga., on the 29th.

New Publications.
 We have received through the courtesy of Mr. J. C. Morgan, bookseller, Exchange Place, a copy of the new work entitled "The Emigrant," published by Messrs. J. P. Jewett & Co., of Boston. It is a story of New England and the characters who are to command divisions of the State were visited by Frost last night. Snow is said to have fallen at Sarina. Much alarm is felt, as cotton seed is scarce, and its sowing that much of the crop will have to be re-planted.

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