

IN THE LAND OF FLOWERS

NOTES OF A JOURNEY IN THE NEW SOUTH.

The First of a Series of Letters of Travel Descriptive of a 5,000-Mile Itinerary Which Included Many Points of Interest South of Mason's and Dixon's Line.

Special Correspondence of The Tribune. Southern Pines, N. C., March 8. READERS of The Tribune, having formerly made a summer tour with us among the wonderlands of our North American continent...

Yesterday we revelled amid snow drifts, blizzards and ice gorges, with the thermometer at zero; today we breathe the balmy air of Southern Pines in North Carolina; tomorrow we can bask in the sunshine of our sunny South, amid orange groves and flowers...

THE CHANGING SOUTH.

The south is undergoing a great change. Its attractions are fast becoming known to the northern public. This work of improvement has been going on for years.

To the railroad and steamboat lines are due much of the credit for the change which has brought these ideal winter resorts of the south in such close proximity to its northern neighbor...

There are as many avenues out of Gotham as there are roads leading into Rome. After a careful examination of the different route we chose the New Seaboard Air line, and its connections with the great Pennsylvania system to

MODES OF TRAVEL.

Where shall we go for our winter outing and escape the rigors of the Arctic north is the anxious inquiry, and over what road shall we travel?

Washington. From Richmond southward the Seaboard operates solid limited vestibule trains over its own rails to Tampa, Fla. It covers 2,000 miles east of the Blue Ridge range...

From New York to Washington the route is over the peerless Pennsylvania, which is acknowledged to be par excellence in every respect, and no doubt excels all other roads in speed, convenience, luxury and safety.

WASHINGTON. With other enthusiastic Americans, of course, we stopped over at Washington to behold the greatest inaugural pageant of the century...

ON TO RICHMOND. From Washington to Richmond, 117 miles, the route is over the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad...

It was boarded the "Seaboard Air Line," the companion train to the metropolitan limited, known as the "fast mail," which takes New York papers of one morning and lands them in Jacksonville, Florida, for breakfast the next.

The first stop is Alexandria, eight miles distant, a historic town of 14,000 inhabitants, whose early associations with the life of the "Father of Our Country" have been told.

It was our good fortune to have the company from Washington to Richmond of a typical ante-bellum Southern gentleman, fresh from the inauguration...

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ceived was second only to that which greeted President and Colonel Roosevelt.

THE INAUGURAL PARADE.

The former received a continuous ovation from start to finish, as, with hat in hand, he bowed right and left, while Senator Hanna, who sat by his side, remained impassive even when his name was called, refusing to receive any applause that was due the president.

At last, when the final end of the procession wound around the capitol hill and up the broad avenue, through a living lane of expectant people, the rain fell in sheets, and the rain-drenched hosts dispersed, while the inaugural ceremonies proceeded under much discomfort, even to the participants under shelter.

It was the desire of President McKinley to dispense with all show of pomp, but he gracefully yielded to "state custom," which had decreed otherwise. However, his wishes in a measure were gratified in that he rode to the capitol in his own open carriage, behind his own bay horses, with the beautiful pair of blacks known as "state horses" as leaders.

It is claimed that this military pageant outrivals in numbers and splendor the recent coronation of King Edward VIII, these imposing ceremonies costing our country over \$4,000,000, equal to one-third of the total yearly expenditures of the United States government when Jefferson was first inaugurated one hundred years ago today.

MUSICAL GOSSIP. The great musical events of the week will undoubtedly be the concert given at Gurnsey hall on Monday and Tuesday evening by Miss Marie Van Den Heule and Miss Elvira Van der Broek, of Belgium, assisted by Mrs. Clara Simpson Brady, the well known soprano, and Charles Doreman, pianist, of this city.

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Advertisement for Warner's Safe Cure Co. featuring a portrait of Ida Wilson. Text includes 'COMPLETELY CURED OF MALARIA' and 'THE WORLD LOOKS BRIGHT.'

bagged an army corps, to the mortification of the Union army. He pointed to the place where Jackson was wounded accidentally by his own men and the house where he died; also, the "pyramid monument" erected on the very spot where the heaviest fighting of the battle occurred...

As we sped along, we passed several stations and crossed over streams whose names, dimly recalled by me, evoked bloody tragedies that occurred in the awful days of 1861 and 1865, which made the world grow pale.

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Here's Five Points

About our Ready-to-Wear Clothes that help to increase our sales from season to season.

- 1. The cloth quality is always good. 2. The Styles are correct. 3. The tailoring and workmanship is the best that we can find. 4. The variety is large. Some pattern is sure to please you. 5. Our prices are fair—as low as good quality can possibly be sold.

See Our Window Displays of Ready-to-Wear Suits, at \$10, \$12, \$15

These Are Excellent Examples of These Five Points.

Our Children's Department

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Samter Brothers, Scranton's Leading Outfitters

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Special Bargain For Saturday. Today we will sell two hundred of our regular \$10.00 Sack suits for men at \$7.90. See them in our window. One Day Only, Saturday, April 20. CORCORAN & O'BRIEN