

No prince has ever been born in this or any other country, in ancient or modern times, whose birth would be hailed with rejoicings at so many different and distant points at every quarter of the globe."

Lester, an American writer, remarks upon this newspaper waif:

"After glancing over this catalogue of countries, we might well inquire where is there a spot where English cannon do not speak English power? Along the St. Lawrence, Lakes Ontario, Erie, and Michigan, one booming shot rolls down over these free States saying 'England is here and her cannon too.' The wandering tribes of the western prairies and Guianian forests hear it and cower back to their fastnesses, for England is there. It sends terror through millions of hearts as it thunders from the harbors and fortresses of the East Indies. The vessels entering the Mediterranean turn an anxious eye to the rocks of Gibraltar as the smoke slowly curls up their sides; and the report of a thousand cannon say in most significant language that England is there. To the reflecting man there is *meaning* in that shot that goes round the earth. England sends her messengers abroad to every nation and the insignia of her power are scattered among all the tribes of the great family of man; while she sits amid the sea, as if her power was the centre of tides, whose pulsations are felt on every shore and up every continent-piercing river. To England we accord greatness; there is something in her name which awes mankind. The pressure of her hand is felt on every government, and her voice is heard at the council boards or every nation. To one who looks only on the territory of England proper, the extent of her dominion seems incredible. That a small island should rule half continents is indeed strange. No other nation since Rome has so expanded herself, reached out such long arms, and with them grasped so much, and so strongly. How so small a body can extend and wield such immense limbs surprises those who calculate power from physical strength.

"It is the *moral* power of England that has carried her so high. \* \* \* No throne since the world stood has had such intellects gathered round it as the British throne. The clear heads that encircled it have ever been her firmest bulwarks. It was this moral power alone that made America her successful antagonist. Hitherto she had met physical force with moral power; but when she made her onset *here*, then 'Greek met Greek.' \* \* \* England's *soul*, not her arms, has impressed itself on the world. It is the intelligence with which she speaks that swells her voice so far, and makes it remembered so long. It is the intelligence that guides her fleets and armies that makes them so formidable. Besides, there is a humanity about her when not crushed out by pride and love of power. The Commons of England have often shown a steadfast resistance to tyrants that has blessed the cause of human freedom the world over. \* \* \* The yeomanry of England are superior to those of any other nation in Europe. Bold, intelligent, and upright, they ought