

lation is carefully educated, and thus there is practically neither an ignorant nor a criminal class to menace the tranquility of the law-abiding citizens. There are no squalid haunts of poverty and crime such as fester in the great centers of population, and which at once form a blot on our civilization and threaten its stability. In a word, the people of Hamilton are intelligent, law-abiding, comfortable and satisfied with their condition and their surroundings. They see around them a country which for the variety of its products, the fertility of its soil, and the beauty of its scenery, is not surpassed in the world; they are thankful for the blessings they enjoy, and they are content with their lot. They have faith in the future of the place, and they stand ready to assure that future by earnest and effective effort.

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