

about the life of Columbus and afterwards write a composition about his adventures and misfortunes.

You now understand that we have landed in the home of our forefathers and that the white people over here are our blood relations. You now know also where the white people of America came from, and how they crossed the sea to establish new homes and plant the seeds of religion, education, and civilization in our own land.

Topics for Oral and Written Work.

If a ship goes east from any part of South America, what continent will it reach? A ship leaves a port or harbor on the east side of North America, what continent will it reach by sailing east? Where do ostrich feathers come from? Why do so many Canadian merchants cross the Atlantic? Tell where our tea and best coffee come from and also what goods we send back to pay for them. From what countries did most of the white people come? Where do ivory and pepper come from? What peoples of the Caucasian family rule North and South America? How is it that Spanish is spoken in South America, and English in the greater part of North America? Have you ever seen people who were not white? Tell what you know about Indians, Negroes, and Chinese. Do you know the name of any missionary who has gone from Canada to Asia or Africa? Why did he go? Sketch again the outline of America. Sketch once more the map of the Atlantic. Do it quickly this time.



Negroes.

7. Homes of the Races of Mankind.

You easily remember that this Eastern Continent upon which we have landed is the home of the white

or Caucasian race to which we ourselves belong. Have you ever seen any other people who are not white? Do you know that the *Negro* race of men have a black, shining skin, very dark, curly hair, and also much thicker lips and broader and flatter noses than most white people? You see in the picture the features of the Negro race. Well, Africa is the home of this black or Negro race, and most of these people still live in Africa. But long ago, people of the white race, our own people, went in ships to Africa and stole many of these black people and took them to America for slaves, and made them work for nothing. A few of these slaves were brought to Canada; but most of them were landed far south. However, in the year 1793, under Governor Simeoe, a good law was passed that abolished slavery: it forbade the bringing of any more slaves into this province and also set free all the slave born negroes at the age of twenty-five. Ten years later, in 1803, Chief Justice Osgoode declared that slavery was contrary to the laws of Canada, and 300 of these black people received their freedom in the province of Quebec, which lies north and east of Ontario. These two facts concern us deeply, because Canada was the first country to set free negro slaves. Later on Great Britain freed all her slaves, and still later, the United States, our nearest neighbors to the south, after a dreadful war that lasted five years, liberated millions of slaves, who still live there. Now, you know that the negroes of America all came from Africa, which still contains the chief part of the black race. Those whom we have seen have become civilized and have received some education and know something of civilized life. But most of those who live in Africa are ignorant savages who live in rude huts made of mud and grass like the one in the lower part of the picture. They wear little or no clothing and know little or nothing of education or religion. Some black people also live in Australia, and these are still more degraded.

From this Eastern Continent has also come to America another kind of people that we sometimes see in the cities of Canada. They have yellowish skin, and slanting, almond-shaped eyes, and they wear their hair in a long braid. The men and the women dress very much alike. They wear loose jackets and queer shoes, and many of them work at the laundry business. Have you seen any Chinese laundry-men? Well, they belong to the great yellow or *Mongolian* race, quite different from the Caucasian, and entirely distinct from the Negro race. Their