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As an instance of the mental powers of the Indian, "in ancient America there are examples of firm and stable states, extending their sway widely and directed by definite policy. The league of the Iroquois was a thoroughly statesmanlike creation, and the realm of Peru had a long and successful existence. That this mental quality is real is shewn by the recent history of some of the Spanish-American republics. Two of them, Guatemala and Mexico, count among their ablest Presidents, in the present generation, pure-blood American Indians."

In Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, there are five great linguistic stocks.

- 1 **ESKIMO**—The most northern inhabitants of the globe, occupying the Arctic coast, Greenland and part of Labrador, and extending to the Aleutian Isles and Asia.
- 2 **ALGONKIN**—This remarkable stock, so far extended and so closely linked with history, occupied the whole of the North