

gladly afford it; that those who speak and write against her are chiefly Irish, instigated by Irish rebels and disappointed demagogues, but that even Irish hatred does not endure through a second generation. As certainly as rabid articles appear in the papers the writers are found to be Irish. He gave us orders to admit us to all the public institutions of the city, but of very few had we time to avail ourselves. I was speaking warmly of Mr. Prescott, with whose manners I had been so much pleased, and of the high standing his writings hold in England, when he told me that his son had married the historian's only daughter. Having invited us to dine on Monday at his house, he rose to depart, and I accompanied him to the door of the hotel, as I should any nobleman in Europe, of age and standing, for I felt that he was one of nature's own nobility, equal in true rank to the most worthy of Europe's titled nobles.

Young H—— called, whose relations were so kind to us at Quebec. His father, though an Englishman, has bought an estate near Boston, and settled down as an American citizen. From all I see and hear of Boston there are few cities in America which afford so much pleasant and intellectual society, or are more desirable as a residence. Had I to quit England, I think, on many accounts that I should select it as my abode. He brought us many kind messages and an invitation, which our short stay would not allow us to accept.

We then sallied forth on foot. The centre of the streets is more than two feet deep in snow, but the pavements are clear and clean. Having paid some visits and shopped, we went to the Athenaeum, in Beacon Street. It is a fine building of granite, with a remarkably handsome front. The institution was originated by