

States citizens may be met on board either going or returning. A strong-faced man, merging on middle life, may inform you that he is engaged in U. S. navy work near Seattle, and is returning to Juneau (the capital of Alaska) for his family and with the view of "fixing up" certain "fishing interests," and you are reminded of how, on this North American continent, folk are not afraid to have more than one "interest." Another man, with a hard face and an unqualified assurance, may be heard expounding his interpretation of the riddle of the universe, and suggesting a soul-less Force as the "Unknown God," so that one hardly needs to note on the passenger list that the name of the speaker is of German origin. Jovial and bejewelled elderly ladies from the Eastern States, who "travel nine months in the year," appeal to the lighter vein—of others besides the genial Autocrat. A man of pleasant mien and attractive personality is the Anglican clergyman, who has for years, on a considerable portion of this vast coastland, sought to carry the solace of the christian religion to settlers and aboriginal inhabitants alike; and our liking and respect for him are not lessened when he arranges to officiate at "Divine Worship" on Sunday, and incidentally reveals that he is a churchman of the Old School.

"See thou, that countest reason ripe
In holding by the law within,
Thou fail not in a world of sin,
And ev'n for want of such a type;"—

yes, such "a type," or such a creed or doctrine, or lack of any doctrine at all!

We had another clergyman on board—travelling in mufti—wisely sent on such a journey for his health's sake. Even in the twentieth century, there is a type of "American" citizen who markedly suggests the type we associate with the refined and puritan English gentleman. If you believe in Canada and the British Empire, it will be a genuine gratification to you to have the assurance of such a representative of the educated classes in the Great Republic that the mass of the enlightened citizens of the States are not—and have never been—anti-British, anti-Canadian, or anti—anything that is worth while! Practical interest in the war was linked up with this gentleman's home, for travelling with himself and wife was a young daughter, who had been only two weeks married when her husband was called (unexpectedly) to his country's service in the great campaign that is to help make this earth a fit stopping-place in God's universe.

A BRITISH COLUMBIA "M. P." AND THE ORIGINAL "SKY PILOT"

On the northward trip, a number of passengers joined the steamer at Prince Rupert. One who had visited the legislative assembly in Victoria might have recognized the member for Atlin, though, like a few of the not-less-wise seat-holders there, his voice is not often lifted in debate. From which it will be inferred that, while he has now the right to aspire to be a law-maker, he is not a practising lawyer. Perhaps no circumstances afford a better opportunity of getting a fair idea of a man's real character than those in which one meets him off duty and care-free for the time being. A