

and not to visit Canada too early or too late for fear of cold weather.

In New England in August and September the annual commencements of the different universities and colleges are celebrated, which attract many intelligent travellers.

Rail roads have already added much to the facility, convenience and cheapness of travelling on some routes, and new ones are constructing in different states, several of which will probably be completed and in use for the first time the present year.

PASSAGE UP THE HUDSON RIVER.

On leaving New-York, the traveller finds himself in the midst of a fine and varied scene. The battery lies behind him, with Governor's Island and Castle Williams projecting beyond; still more distant opens the passage called the Narrows, with Staten Island on the right, leading to Sandy Hook and the Atlantic Ocean, which is 22 miles from the city. On the west side of the Bay are Bedlow's and Gibbet Islands, with fortifications; the point at the mouth of the Hudson is Powles' Hook, on which stands a small town in New-Jersey called Jersey City; and the village of Hoboken is seen a mile or more up the river. The hills of Weehawken appear beyond. As the boat moves rapidly on, it passes the crowded line of buildings in Washington-street, the *North Battery*, and the village of Greenwich; with the building formerly the State Prison, the Episcopal Theological Seminary and the Blind Asylum in succession.

At Weehawken, under a ledge of rocks facing