

unsettled way of life the Russians here are leading, but the chief reason is that there are no spiritual leaders among them. The intelligent Russians, those with higher education and great natural gifts, very rarely emigrate. In Russia or elsewhere in Europe they are better off and in greater esteem. Those who are forced to emigrate for political or religious reasons usually cherish very extreme views of life, and, as a matter of fact, prefer to settle in Russian centres abroad, i.e. in New York, Chicago, etc.

The mass of the Russians here are carried away with the general stream of material life. Their interest is to make here "Good money," then to return to Russia, and to have an easy life there. If in their neighborhood there is a Russian Church, they will not be unwilling to attend some of the services, especially on great festival days, e.g., Christmas or Easter Sunday. But they would not make a special effort for that, nor do they feel in any way uplifted by it. Their favorite distraction is a game of cards and a good strong drink. Thanks to the Prohibition Act, the situation in this respect is now much better in this country, but matters are getting even worse in places where liquor is freely obtainable. Deprived by the prolonged war of the hope of speedy return to Russia, and not being able to settle their minds and