

to the beauty of the grand, lovely scenery, through which I have passed, especially in the Alleghany mountains, in the state of Vermont, where I saw them in their well-known and striking magnificence. The tints are so decidedly marked, and there is not a leaf on the tree but is as brilliant as if it was varnished, which greatly enhances the effect. The best time in the year to visit America is from August to November, as this is called the "Indian Summer," and there is then splendid weather. The country looks most lovely. The expense of a tour is three times as great as it would be in this country, or on the continent.

The Americans say they can let their houses for twelve months, visit Europe, and save half their incomes. It is said that those who are met travelling in England, are not the best specimens, hence the prejudice of some of the English against them, which the Americans all feel, and are therefore generally reserved in the company of English people.

Whilst there, I heard not one word said against England, or the English. No reference to "Alabama Claims" or the San Juan Boundary, and I am glad to see, within the last week or two, the respect paid in this country to the American banner of stars and stripes, which has been carried through the Land to London by Sergeant Bates, all tending to strengthen a friendship which I hope will never be interrupted.