

highest success of such an institution. The isothermal line of Mackinaw is that which has proved the most favorable, both in Europe and America, for intellectual development.

This all-important and only truly fundamental idea of health is too often forgotten in the location of institutions of learning, and, as a consequence, the mind is frequently developed only at the expense of the body. Men become intellectual giants and physical pigmies at one and the same time. But the invigorating atmosphere of Mackinaw City will do for the physical part just what a thorough university course will do for the mental, and thus a symmetrical and perfect development will be secured. The facts elucidated in the previous chapter will prove this.

The health of Mackinaw is not disputed. A second fact we regard as equally indisputable. A few years will people Northern Michigan and the unoccupied territory of the Northwest with tens of thousands, who will need just such an institution as the one proposed. And besides this "coming population," hundreds of the sons and daughters of our more southern and much less healthful cities and towns will be but too glad to resort to even-tempered Mackinaw to secure an education, whenever the proper facilities for that purpose are afforded.

That the public attention is already turning this way is too evident to need proof. The "Northern Pacific" is no longer a mooted question, but is actually in process of construction, with a fair prospect of making the straits its eastern terminus, while several roads from the more southern cities of this and other states are even now hastening towards Mackinaw to claim a share of the spoils. The day is not far in the future when Mackinaw will be a railroad centre, as it is by nature a commercial centre, and these roads will all lay their laurels at the feet of the new city and rising university.

As to the prospects of Mackinaw City and the wealth of the surrounding country, which must eventually concentrate here, the following extracts are in point. They are from E.