

ness of the males at least one hundred per cent., and have therefore kept the tribe better nourished and in better condition to withstand the severities which are their daily lot. That this increase will be very considerable or continued for any length of time is not likely, as the balance will again be adjusted.

In disposition and temperament these people are a



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race of children, simple, kindly, cheerful, and hospitable. In powers of endurance, in certain directions, they probably are not surpassed by any other known race, and in their ingenuity and the intelligence displayed in making use, to the fullest extent, of every one of the few possibilities of their country which can assist them to live and be com-

fortable, they are, in my opinion, ahead of any other aboriginal race. Of arts, sciences, culture, manufactures, and such other adjuncts of civilisation, they know nothing.

There is no form of government among them, no chief, each man being supreme in his own family, and literally and absolutely his own master. Such a thing as real-estate interest is unknown to them. Every man owns the whole country and can locate his house