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 If there were one more thing wanted to render igno-
 rance and indolence completely triumphant, and to
 sink down the popular taste for education to the lowest
 level, it would be that the best situations in the colony
 under the Crown should be given away to favourites
 from the mother country, without regard to the merits
 and exertions of natives. But this has been done.
 For it, and its effect in alienating the minds of the
 people from British supremacy, see also Mr. Gesner's
 work on New Brunswick, p. 322.

As our steamer made but slow progress, we disem-
 barked at Portland in Maine, and dined at a small
 inn near the railway station. Though Portland is but
 a fishing town, and the inn not first-rate, everything
 was beautifully clean. As we passed along by railway
 to Boston, we were particularly struck with the villages
 on the way-side. Cottages there were none—at least,
 none of those miserable abodes which go by the name
 in England. The houses were usually of boards,
 and painted white, with green venetians, something
 in the Swiss style, only much neater and cleaner, and
 from their great approach to evenness of size, showed
 the general diffusion of wealth that prevails here.
 It seemed as if poverty and dirt were banished from
 the land. The railway cars were not divided into sepa-
 rate carriages as in England, but were long vehicles,
 with transverse seats and a walk down the middle,
 similar to what I have seen in Austria. There were
 near sixty people in our car, and every one was well