

We Lead the World.

"In the matter of letters—how does our showing compare with other countries last year?"

"Very favorably indeed. The United States originated 866,593,572 letters, while Germany, with a population of only 4,000,000 less, originated but 504,067,781; Austria, with half our population, but 170,003,500, and Russia, with a population of 93,000,000, only 94,296,058.

France, with a population of 37,000,000, originated 424,772,000, while Japan, with a population of 34,000,000, had but 27,069,891, less than one letter to a person.

"Stop," cried the reporter, whose head was becoming dizzy at the rapidity with which he rattled off the figures. "Stop till I take a breathing spell."

"Why, you haven't got half the figures yet," said he, with a smile, and then the reporter, with a resignation that adorns all the members of the quill, again took up his pen, and Mr. Blackfan proceeded:

"Italy, population 28,000,000, 149,858,384 letters; Hungary, population 16,000,000, 54,454,066 letters; Belgium, population, 6,000,000, 54,201,244 letters; Spain, with a population of 17,000,000, makes a good showing in having originated 78,841,275 letters."

"In the matter of postal cards, how does the comparison hold?"

"Largely in our favor. The United States originated 276,446,716. Germany led all Europe with but 104,224,002. Austria originated 29,307,500, closely followed by France with 29,567,000, while Italy used but 17,243,800, Hungary 10,246,256, and Spain but 997,087. Even Japan originated 11,902,700, while Russia, with her immense possessions, only used 2,721,530."

"Have any of the European countries what are termed return cards?"

"Yes, a number have. I recall Germany, Belgium, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, and perhaps some others."

"What of newspapers?"

"We lead all other countries by a large majority. La fact, our figures of 748,648,900 newspapers and magazines stamp us the leading reading people of the globe. Germany had demand for 401,729,830; France, 219,575,000; Austria, 67,747,600; Italy, 77,264,670; Hungary, 26,525,233; Spain, 37,253,784; Russia, 77,439,559, and Japan, 34,500,000."

"Do other countries make use of the mails as a sort of package express?"

"Oh, yes; but in this branch of the mail service, as in most others, we lead. The figures are: United States, 22,634,456; France, 12,523,000; Italy, 7,662,156; Germany, 5,776,336; Austria, 3,007,700; Hungary, 1,429,368, and Japan, 134,293."

"How about books, circulars and miscellaneous matter?"

"France is the only country that approximates us. She sent through the mails 237,391,000, while we sent 300,845,480. The other European countries are below the hundred millions."—Washington Post.

In Cork.

Cork as a "resort" labors under difficulties. When a trans-Atlantic traveler arrives, the whole world is before him, and he is conscious of it; he asks for the curious places; is wheeled out on a, to him comical kind of conveyance, known as a jaunting car, he forgets its discomfort in laughing at its oddity, and its effect upon his legs and stomach (he hasn't learned how to enjoy it yet) is a sort of exhilarative tonic, so different from that elephantine playfulness of the rough Atlantic that in the joy of his release he is apt to become in a degree hysterical in his intercourse with the little world about him. This happy frame of mind is, however, as ephemeral as is extreme happiness generally; the pleasures to come allure him with their spacious promise; the demon of unrest possesses him; he visits, as all who have come and gone, and in the self-same way the old tower and grove of Blarney, and if lucky returns by the river road; if he has ever heard of Shand n, its belfrey is pointed out to him, a mile away, by the car-driver's whip; he pays his car fare and his hotel bill, and after twenty-four hours of land life is away to Killarney by express train. When this same traveller reaches this last stretch of land on his return, Cork suffers again; the whole world is now behind him, he has no more stomach for more novelties, he is surfeited, his steamer is in sight, and his heart yearns for home. Yet, for all this, some wise ones are found who have spent a week or more in and about Queenston and along the coast, with the fittest appreciation of the kindness of the people, the greenness of the grass, and the sweetness of the air, after their eight or nine days of "ocean blue."

Of course we made the pilgrimage to Blarney Castle, its lovely grove, and its famous lip-worn stone, to which we kissed our hands, and returned by the Lee, a swift-running, rather full and handsome river that widens and deepens as it sweeps through Cork and on to the Atlantic, and upon whose rapid tide we floated toward Queenston next morning—one of those exquisite days of which we know so little, perfect in every hour from twilight to twilight, a continuous jubilate. These eleven miles of winding river, from St. Patrick's bridge, Cork, to the Queenston quay, should always be preferred to the railway, whose train dashed past us at full speed; the eye is gratified, the mind rested and refreshed, by this easy sail.—Cor. Chicago Tribune.

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