

ties. It spurs him to a higher aspiration and loftier ambitions. It awakens within a man the pride of independence. It kindles within his bosom the spark of patriotism and a sense of duty, and thus becomes a potent factor in the body politic. I beg leave to say again that while education will not accomplish every thing, yet, it is the only weapon with which we can vanquish Ignorance and Indifference, which are the arch-fiends of our beloved country.

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If you should make a journey to the extreme northern part of our State, you might happen to come across a tract of high rolling prairie, well watered by numerous small streams, threaded with numerous lanes, and dotted with many white farm houses, that stand out like so many monuments to the thrift and enterprise of the Anglo-Saxon race. Now and then a small village lends variety to the landscape, and, at longer intervals, a thriving and prosperous town.

If you should visit this region in the early spring time, you would find the prairie covered with a velvety carpet of green, figured in all the variety of nature's handiwork, with many brilliant hued flowers. In places, you would see this landscape broken by great black rectangular patches of freshly ploughed ground, making the country look like a gigantic checker board, in colors of green and black; still, among these you might see the bright green wheat fields, and further on the faint, green tinge of the fields of young corn.

The streams you would find heavily fringed with red bud, swayed in all the gorgeousness of their color, the wild plum holding forth her gift of immaculate white, and the great sombre oaks, pecans, cottonwoods, elms, etc., doing their utmost to enliven the scene, by covering their great gray boughs and scarred trunks with the all pleasing green.