

## NEW ALBANY GOOD ENOUGH.

This is the Conclusion of Mr. W. S. Culbertson after Seeing Europe.

Mr. W. S. Culbertson was warmly greeted upon the streets this morning by his many New Albany friends, after an absence of nearly six months in Europe. He and his wife and daughter reached home last night.

"I am glad to be at home again," said Mr. Culbertson to the LEDGER. "I have seen all the notable cities of Europe during my absence, with all their attractions in architecture, art and the luxuries that wealth has provided for its possessors in that part of the world, and both myself and family have greatly enjoyed our travels; but sincerity compels me to say that I am glad to be back in New Albany, my old home. There is no place like home. I found no city that suited me better than New Albany. There is no country equal to America."

Mr. Culbertson's very interesting as well as instructive letters published in the LEDGER during his absence, gave an excellent and vivid description of his impressions of Europe, as well as of its art, architecture, agriculture, manufactories and material interests. These letters were dashed off without time for critical examination by the writer; but they were a well connected running description of, and commentary, upon, what the writer saw.

His trip was a delightful one, yet to use his language: "the civil institutions of Europe, except in some municipal regulations, are not to be compared with those of America. The United States – the land of the free and the home of the brave – may not present the grand works of art, the splendid palaces and churches and public buildings of Europe; but what we see here at home is homelike and loveable and to the true American attractive and inspiring. I return to the United States and my home with increased admiration for American institutions, American greatness and the grandeur of our country. I think every American feels this way after a trip through Europe."

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