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The City's Progress.

Philadelphia Foremost in Art, Science and Industrial Progress. HER PROUD HISTORY. Philadelphia leads the world. It does not lead the cities of the world in point of population. Its area does not include miles of prairie. Within its confines are not the most densely populated districts of the globe.

York became the great entrepot for England and maritime traffic. The Quaker city's early history is replete with stirring incidents, and the story of the rise and progress of Philadelphia for 214 years presents an epitome of human interest, unsurpassed in the annals of nature. No lust of conquest impelled them to man to whom it owes its origin. It was founded by the Quaker, William Penn, announced thus: "I took charge of the province of Pennsylvania for the Lords of the Admiralty, and as such was bound to the good and oppressed of every nation and to frame a Government which might be an example to the world."

Philadelphia was founded in 1682, the exhibition marking a notable epoch in the history of our city and our country. Founding of Philadelphia. It is no other way the master mind of the great William Penn shows itself in the founding of this City of Brotherly Love. He planned it not merely for his own day and generation, but for all time and all generations, and it Penn had lifted the veil of the centuries and looked into the distant future with a prophetic vision, he could not have made his plans better.

City Parks and Squares. Delightful Breathing Spots Are Enjoyable Pleasure Grounds of the People. LOVELY FAIRMOUNT. Physically speaking, Philadelphia is a garden among cities. Fine public buildings, well-kept streets and good municipal government is not all that is required by the population of a great city when comfort and happiness is sought.

SCENE ON CHESTNUT STREET. Industry furnish an important factor of New York's trade. The city government subsequently improved these squares and from time to time added other small tracts, so that now there are thirty-three open areas of ground through the city, embracing altogether 217 acres, the common property of the citizens.

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