

Weekly Newspaper Mercurius, region Sittard, dated June 20, 1863

" Letter to the editor.

Sittard, June 19, 1863

Important for Immigrants.

Mister EDITOR!

In contrast to the letter published in the last issue of your weekly newspaper, I request you to publish the following letters in your newspaper; the more to gif those who are interested in the matter the opportunity to inform themselves with the father, Mathis Timmermans from Horn, near Roermond, who will leave for America July first, and who will state that his son is a good child who will not urge his father to come to America if the situation there was not as he says it is; adding the following remark: that in case the letter, published in your last issue, contains the truth; a son not his parents; a father not his children, a husband not his wife with 6 small children, would urge them to leave Europe to come and settle in America, where they, because of their fortune, are in no way obliged to stay, just like jaspers from Echt, Erkens from Overhoven, Voss from Gangelt and many more, who left Europe with a small fortune, to follow the invitations of their relatives over there.

I believe that the writer of the last letter assumed that in America, the fried pigeons fly into their mouth and that the liquor flows in the rivers, but he knows that those who love and enjoy America, will have to work for it as he would have to do in Europe, but those who are too lazy want achieve nothing in America, America is only good to real farmers and craftsmen, who are willing to work hard, of which the writer of that letter gives his own proof telling that a smith's apprentice can earn 5 francs and 35 cents a day.

HENRI STRAUSS "