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TITLE:- GIFT FROM U.S.A.

Picture:- The American Ambassador, His Excellency General Dawes, is on the left of this group.

He is to present the new gymnasium on behalf of the donor, Mr. Thomas Cochran of --

--New York. A gift of the "Stars and Stripes" precedes the major ceremony. Mr. Cochran gives this fine twelve-thousand-pound building --

--to the town in recognition of the fact that his forbears came from Kirkcudbright. A magnificent --

--"gesture"! It isn't everybody can think of their precedessors with such --

--kindly spirit. I hope it isn't that he is glad they are not still there !