

SAFEGUARDING INVESTED CAPITAL. 11

The innumerable investments on offer have by this means been brought within manageable limits for his purpose; and knowing, as he now does, what he should have, he is likely to obtain just what he wants.

When the investor has arranged his investments on these principles he enjoys the following advantages:—

He is always in a position to realise part of his investments without a sacrifice, for it is almost impossible that all his investments should simultaneously show a loss.

The income his investments produce is based upon the average yield afforded by stocks of the quality he holds in all parts of the world. This average yield has been for years past at least $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. higher than that returned by the same class of security in Great Britain. Thus £10,000 invested in good British Debentures at present produces about £425 per annum, while the same sum invested in equally safe Debentures on the principle of Geographical Distribution produces £500 per annum, or nearly 18 per cent. more income.

When the advantages offered by a *Geographical Distribution of Capital* are realised by all investors, few of them will invest on any other system. Its essential principles are somewhat opposed to former investment methods, to which many people, who dislike changing their tactics, still cling, often in the face of uncertainty and failure. The belief in such methods must therefore be eradicated before Geographical Distribution is likely to be generally adopted; but the wide popularity which the system already enjoys indicates that that day is not far distant.