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The Denver Mining Industry says:

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the badge and mount his wheel or car-

riage and all vehicles are obliged to

A new law in Pennsylvania provides

that all typewriting heretofore execut-

ed, and all that may hereafter be done,

for any purpose whatever, shall have

the same legal force and effect as or-

dinary writing, and that the word

"writing" occurring in the laws of the

State shall be held to include type-

writing. This is the first State that

has thus legalized the work of the

The course of Immigration Commis-

sioner Senner, in deporting an immi-

grant who has been drunk throughout

the transatlantic voyage, is to be com-

mended, thinks the New York Mail

and Express. The habitual drunkard

is, in anticipation, a combination of

pauper, criminal and lungtice It is

merely a question of development.

de is one of the most objectionable

of immigrants. We have no welcome

The Union Bank of London would

not admit responsibility for giving

Mrs. Langtry's jewelry to the wrong

party on a forged order; but "to

avoid expensive litigation" it settled

by paying the lady \$50,000 in consid-

eration of her loss through the bank's

agency. This, explains the New Or-

leans Picayune, is the stubbornness

make no mistake, even when an over-

paid customer has the money in his

hand to prove the bank has paid him

Of the 11,500,000 direct living de-

scendants of the Vikings, 2,500,000,

more than one-fifth, reside in the

United States-born of Scandinavian

parents, either in Europe or America.

Few provinces of Denmark, Sweden

or Norway contain so many Scandi-

navians as the 375,000 who make up

one-fourth of the population of Min-

nesota. Wisconsin and Illinois have

each 200,000. Iowa, Nebraska and

the two Dakotas have the larger part

of the remainder. It is a suggestive

fact that so large a proportion of the

Scandinavians are settled in the dis-

tinctively agricultural States. The

most reliable figures obtainable indi-

cate that, of the Scandinavians, one

One of the most appalling results of

foreign pauper immigration, observes

the Atlanta Constitution, is disclosed

by the fact that nearly one-half of all

the crimes committed in the United

States are traceable to this obnoxious

element of our population. This state-

ment is based upon the official records

furnished by the census of 1890, and

is, therefore, the most reliable infor-

mation that can be obtained on this

important subject. At the time this

census was taken the number of crim-

inals in the various prisons of the

United States was found to be 82,329.

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The Platform Will Declare Out heir Treasury. and Out for Gold. ested to churches, in and

room where bicyclists can BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE PROthemselves up a little before CEEDINGS.

> The republican national convention was formally opened at St. Louis Tuesday at noon.

The day was propitious with un-"For unmitigated, lying, infernal louded skies and refreshing breezes. secondrelism in mining promotion, Although the convention was not we have seen nothing equal to our called to order until noon, the streets present one. Colorado has become in the vicinity of the hall were thronged for two hours before that time with trangers, who had come to the city to witness what they could of the grand Dr. Anderson, instructor of athspactacle and were naturally drifted letics at Yale, says that the ethical around the auditorium, but the doors element should be considered in that were closed to all persons, including department as in everything else, and delegates and alternates, until the time

should arrive for their official opening. that broken down prize fighters are The only exceptions to this rule not proper instructors for young men. were newspaper men, furnished with padges and tickets of admission, offi-A person who is accomplished in the cials of the convention and several science of agrostology was wanted at hundred special and general aids to the sergeant at-arms. The assignment the Agricultural Department, Washseats for the state delegations wa Angton, and the Civil Service Commis-

completed until 11 o'clock. sioners superintended a competitive In the section immediately examination for a \$1500 appointment. right of the platform were fix placards of the seats of Californ Ordinary people call an agrostologist orado, Connecticat, Illinois, Wash ton, Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, South Carolina, Louisiana, Nebraska, New The physicians of Chicago enjoy Jersey, West Virginia and Delaware, peculiar privileges as regards trans-California and Alabama being in the front rows and the others coming beportation. For fifty cents he can prohind them in the order named. The cure of the city clerk a badge with a other seats were fixed in the section red cross which gives him the right of facing the platform on the left-hand way. The physician can then pin on

An hour was occupied by the assistant sergeant-at-arms in instructing and locating his deputies, ushers and assistant ushers and in the meantime a band of music in the gallery behind the platform played various airs.

Cwing to the vast ground space the distinguished delegates were lost in the throng upon entering and got to their scats without recognition or applause, Henry Clay Evans, of Tennessee, was the first\_distinguished participant

to arrive. He came in at 11:15 o'clock and took a seat to the left of the chairman's seat. Less han a hundred peo-ple were in the had.

When Mr. Patt appeared in the New York seats there was a volley of cheers from those in the neighborhood. The doors were hot open for general admission until about a quarter past 11 o'clock, and from that time on spectators made | their way to the galleries, but not in large numbers, the tickets for admission being put at \$40 for the set-that is for every session of the convention.

At 11:35 the delegates began to arrive, those of Caltfornia and Maine being the first to enter the hall. They did so without demonstrations. Other state delegates poured in rapidly and soon the section assigned them began to fill up. Outside the clash of brass bands was heard from time to time denoting the coming of the delegations. Prominent among the Colorada men

was Senator Teller, who chatted pleas-antly with those in his neighborhood and "saw" Mr. Lodge's floral challenge with a silver white rose in his buttonhole.

While waiting for the convention to be called to order the band rendered some good music. In the interim of two pieces Mr. Chauncy M. Depew that sticks to the idea that a bank can entered the hall, smiling as usual, and got a hearty reception.

At 12:20 o'clock Senator Carter, chairman of the republican national committee, called the convention to order. By this time all the seats of the delegates and nearly half of the gallery space were filled.

with prayer, the whole assemblage standing as the chaplain invoked the divine benediction. At the close of the chaplain's prayer Chairman Carter said:

The chaplain, Rabbi Sale, opened

"This convention is assembled in compliance with the terms of a call issued by the national committee on the 14th of December, 1895, which call the secretary will now proceed to read."

The secretary did so, in a voice which was inaudible at ten feet distant and amid frequent éries of "Louder." Chairman Carter then said:

"Gentlemen of the convention, by direction of the actional committee, I present for your approval for your temporary chairman Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks, of Indiana."

Mr. Sutherland, on behalf of the New York delegation, moved that the selection of the committee be approved, and this was carried without a dissenting voice.

Mr. Fairbanks came forward, and in clear and distinct tone, with only occasional references to his notes, delivered his address, which was frequently applauded.

After expressing his profound gratitude for the expression of generous confidence which the convention had bestowed upon him Mr. Fairbanks devoted the first half of his remarks to a contrast of the record of the republican party with that of the democratic party as viewed from the standpoint of a protectionist. Incidental to this discussion Mr. Fairbanks made the assertion that the republican party had made "sound money," and that it also made an honest protective tariff to go

with it. "Sound money' and honest protec-tive tariff," he said, "go hand in hand, not one before the other. The plican party has not been unhe proper use of silver.

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speech Mr. Carter proposed the ap- ries for the free coinage of American-REV. DR. TALMAGE pointments of the secretary, assistant | muscle; | pension policy just and gensecretaries, sergeanty-at-arms, official stenographers and other officials, and the persons so named were declared

duly appointed.

Mr. Lamb, delegate from Virginia, offered a resolution which was agreed to, that until a permanent organization is effected, the convention will be governed by the rules of the last conother resolution, which was also adopted, ordering that the roll of states and territories be now called, and that the chairman of each delegation announce the names of the persons selected to serve on the several committees as fol-

First, on permanent organization. Second, on rules and order of busi-

Third on credentials.

Fourth, on resolutions. Also, that all resolutions in respect to the platform shall be referred to the committee without debate.

dress was punctuated with applause, The states were then called for their selection of delegates as members of the several committees.

After an announcement of the places and times of meeting of the four committees, the convention at 1:47 ad journed to Wednesday at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

A chilling drizzling rain began about o'clock Wednesday morning, and the second day of the great republican convention promised to be very disagreeable. There was but very littie interest felt by the great mass of delegates, as McKinley's nomination was certain and the platform was settled except perhaps as to a few techniparatively few were much inter-

man Fairbanks rapped for oro'clock and Dr. Williams, the Methodist Episcopal of St. Louis, made the prayer. Lodge rose to ask for the committee on resolutions the privilege of sittion during the progress of the convention, that the sub-committee had completed the report and that it was now being considered by the full committee. The request was granted.

The chairmau's call for the report of the committee on credentials met with no response and the matter was passed. Mr. Sewell, of New Jersey, and Senator Wellington, of Maryland, asked unanimous consent to make the rewort of committee on permanent organiza tion and rules, but objections were

Several resolutions were handed up and referred to the committee without debate. Business then seemed at a standstill.

Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, moved that the report of the committee on permanent organization be declared in order. His motion was greeted with cheers by the galleries, which wished the convention to pro-

The motion was put and Chairman Fairbanks declared it carried. Senator Wellington indignantly protested that the motion was out of order, as the convention could not suspend the rule, and his point was warmly supported by Delegate Littlefield of Maine, but the chair ruled that both gentlemen were out of order as the convention had decided to receive the report. When the reading clerk, who intoned the committee report to the house, announced the name of John M. Thurston, of Nebraska, to be permanent chairman, there were cheers from the galleries and the same demonstration greeted the name of U. S. Grant, of California.

The reading of the report on permanent organization was followed by a wild and tumultuous scene.

Mr. Mudd of Maryland, jumped to his feet and loudly protested against action upon the report. "It can be received," he shouted, "but it cannot be acted upon. Nothing can be done until the convention has acted upon the report of the committee on credentials. Until that committee has acted

there will be no action." Mr. Fairbanks ruthlessly overruled the point of order and left Mr. Mudd angrily shouting on the floor. Mr. Fairbanks called for a vote on

the adoption of the report and demanded a call of the roll. His demand was seconded by Delegate Evans of Minnesota.

Mr. Fairbanks, however, called for a rising vote, and the convention seemed to rise en masse to the call. The galleries cheered and pandemonium reigned before the convention realized that a few dissenters had won

a victory over the convention. Senator Sewell of New Jersey, Congressman Payne of New York, were designated to escort the permanent chairman to the platform.

Thurston Speaks.

Mr. Thurston faced the arena and spoke as follows: "Gentlemen of the Convention:-The happy memory of your kindness and confidence will abide in my grateful heart forever. My sole ambition is to meet your expectations, and I pledge myself to exercise the important powers of this high office with ab solute justice and impartiality. I be speak your cordial co-operation and support to the end that proceedings be orderly and dignified. Eight years ago I had the distinguished honor to preside over the convention which nominated the last republican president of the United States. Today I have the distinguished honor to preside over a convention to nominate the next president of the United States. This generation has had its object lesson and the doom of the democratic party is already pronounced. The American people will return to the republican party because they know its administration will mean supremacy of the constitution of the United States, maintenance of law and order, protection of every American citizen to live, labor and vote, vigorous foreign icy, enforcement of the Monroe doctrine, revenue adequate for all governmental expenditures and the gradual extinguishment of the national debt, currency as sound as govern-ment, untarnished as its honor, whose dollars, whether gold, silver or paper, shall have equal purchasing and debt-paying power with the best dollars of the civilized world; a protective tariff erous to our living heroes and to wid-

ows and orphans of their dead com-tades; the governmental supervision and control of transportation lines and DISCOURSE. rates; the protection of people from

all unlawful combinations and unjust Subject: "The Bitter Attlla." exaction of aggregated capital and

> burning as it were a lamb, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of water, and the name of the etar is sailed Wormwood."-Revelation vill.

free institutions, and endanger the the abolition of sectionalism; every star in the American flag shining for honor and welfare and happiness, every commonwealth of, by and for the peo-ple; a deathless loyalty to all that is true and American and a patriotism Brilliant Bitterness.

and at its close delegates rose and waved their bats, flags and handkerchiefs with a prolonged cheer. As the demonstration ceased, by the direction of Permanent Chairman Thurston, a letter was read from J. Henry Fort, chairman of the committee on credentials, announcing that the committee would be unable to report until siternoon. A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock.

The report of the committee on permanent ofganization, besi les naming Senator Thurston as chairman, made the secretaries, sergeaut at-arms and other temporary officers permanent officers of the convention and gave a gal points of phrascology in which list of vice presidents, one from each state, as agreed on by the delegation. The reading of the list of vice-presidents was interropted by applause as popular names were reached.

corporated power; an American wel-

loving, constitution-respecting; law-

abiding, labor-seeking, decent man;

the exclusion of all whose birth, whose

blood, whose condition, whose prac-

tices, would menace permanence of

safety of American society or lessen

the opportunities for American labor!

Almost every sentence of the ad-

eternal as the stare."

Afternoon Session. It was 2:45 when the chairman's hammer knocked for order and an nounced that the afternoon session would be opened with prayer by Bishop Arnath of Wilberforde college, O. The bishop invoked blessings on the convention and on the country and

gave thanks for an assembly representing the culture, the wealth and refinement of more than forty centuries. He prayed that the victory to be gained in the fature through the work of the convention may redound to the blessing of every section, and that protection and liberty and civil and political rights may be secured to every man, woman and child from the

lakes of the north to the gulf of the Mr. Madden, of Chicago, was recognized by the chair for a special purpose. Mr. Madden then, in appropriate terms, presented a gavel made from a portion of the house in which Lincoln once lived. The chairman, in in accepting it, expressed the hope that the inspiration of the immortal Lincoln might fire the hearts of the

convention to higher patriotism. Judge Denny, of Kentucky, presented a second gavel made from the wood which formed part of the homestead of Henry Clay, the father of

Temporary Conirman Fairbanks responded, expressing his gratification that the state of Henry Clay had entered the republican fold and trusted it would be found true to the standard bearer of this great convention in November next.

The report of the committee on credentials was then presented by its chairman, Mr. Fort, of New Jersey. The report recommended that the roll of delegates and alternates of the convention from the severval states and territories, as prepared by the national committee, be approved as the perma-

nent roll of the convention. After discussion the majority report was adopted amid cheers.

A minority report was presented, but was overwhelmingly defeated. The chairman of the committee on resolutions was recognized and reported that the platform would be ready at

Mr. Grosvenor moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock Thursday morning. The chairman declared in favor of the ayes, and at 5:07 the convention was adjourned accordingly.

The Platform Will be Gold. There is no possible misconstruing the meaning of the financial plank which the complittee on resolutions has decided upon and which reads as follows:

The republican party is unreservedly for sound money. It caused the enactment of the law providing for the resumption of specie payments in 1879. Since then every dollar has been as good as gold. We are unalterably opposed to every measure calculated to debase our currency or impair the credit of our country. We are, therefore, opposed to the free coinage of silver, except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world, which we pledge ourselves to promote, and until such agreement can be obtained the existing gold standard must be preserved. All our silver and paper currency now in circulation must be maintained at a parity wth gold, and we favor all measures designed to maintain inviolably the obligations of the United States and all our money, whether coin or paper, at the present

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Captain Leathers Meets a Violent Death in New Orleans. After surviving for sixty years all the perils to which a steamboat man is exposed, the world renowned Captain Thomas P. Leathers is dead at New Orleans from the effects of being run over by a bicycle one evening about four weeks ago. The captain was crossing St. Charles avenue when a bicycler came along at high speed and ran into and knocked him down, The rider was also thrown down, but quickly remounted his wheel and made good his escape without being recognized. Captain Leathers never rallied from the shock.

Scooped by the Southern. The Southern and the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton have made a the civilized world; a protective tariff which protects, covered with reciproction 100 years, with an option on the reciprocates, thereby securously and the passe papers will be a marican factor.

THE NOTED DIVINE'S SUNDAY

TEXT: "There fell a great star from heaven

Many commentators, like Patrick and Lowth, Thomas Scott, Matthew Henry and Albert Barnes agree in saying that the star Wormwood, mentioned in Revelation, was Attila, king of the Huns. He was so called because he was brilliam as a star, and, like Wormwood; he embittered everything he touched. We have studied the ttar of Bethlehem, and the Morning Star of the Revelation; and the Star of Peace; but my present subject calls us to gaza at the star present subject calls us to gaze at the star Wormwood, and my theme might be called A more extraordinary character history

iges not furnish than this man thus referred to, Attila, the king of the Huns. One day a wounded heifer came limping along through the fields, and a herdsman followed its ploody track on the grass to see where the bloody track on the grass to see where the helfer was wounded, and went on back further and fürther, that is the came to a sword fast in the earth, the point downward, as though is had dropped from the heavens and against the edges of this sword the helfer had been cut. The herdsman pulled up that the helfer had been cut. sword and presented it to Atti'a. Attila said the sword must have dropped from the heavens from the grasp of the god Mars and its being given to him meant that Atilla should conquer and govern the whole earth.
Other mighty men have been delighted at

being called liberators, or the merciful or the good, but Attila called himself, and demanded that others call him the Scourge of God. At the head of 700,000, troops; mounted on Cappadocian horses, he swept everything from the Adriatic to the Black Sea. He put his iron heel on Macedonia and Greece and Thrace. He made Milan and Pavia and Padua and Verona beg for mercy, which he bestowed not. The Byzantine castles, to meet his ruinous levy, put up at nuction massive silver tables and vases of solid gold. A city captured by him, the inhabitants were brought out and divided into three elasses-the first class, those who could bear arms; this inter immediately enlist under Attila or be butchered; the feedend class, the beautiful women, who were made captives to the Huns; the third class, the aged men and women, who were robbed of everything and

let go back to the city to pay heavy tax.

It was a sommon saying that the grass never grew again where the hoef of Attila's horse had trod: His armies raddened the waters of the Some, and the Moselle, and the Rhine with carnage and fought on the Catalonian plains, the, flercest battle since the world stood-300,000 dead left on the field! On and on until those who could not oppose him with arms lay prostrate on their faces in prayer, and, a cloud of dust seen in the distance, a bishop cried, "It is the aid of God!"
and all the people took up the cry, "It is the
aid of God!" As the cloud of dust was blown
aside the banners of re-enforcing armies
marched in to help against Attila, the
Scourge of God. The most unimportant occurrences he used as a supernatural re-source, and after three months of failure to capture the city of Aquileia, and his army had given up the siege the flight of a stork and her young from the tower of the city was taken by him as a sign that he was to capture the city, and his army, inspired by he same occurrence, resumed the siege and took the walls at a point from which the stork had emerged. conquerer in attire that his enemies could not look at him, but shaded their eyes or turned their heads.

Slain on the evening of his marriage by his bride, Ildico, who was lired for the assassination, his followers bewaited him, for with tears, but with blood, cutting themselves with knives and lances. He was pu into three coffins, the first of iron, the second of silver and the third of gold. He was buried by night, and into his grave were poured the most valuable coin and precious stones, amounting to the wealth of a kingdom. The gravediggers and all those who assisted at the burial were missacred, so that it would never be known where so much wealth was entombed. The Roman empire conquered never be known the world, but Attila conquered the Roman empire. He was fight in calling himself a scourge, but instead of being the Scourge of God he was the scourge of hell. Because of his brilliance and bitterness the commentaors were right in believing him to be the star Wormwood. As the regions he devas tated were parts most opulent with fountains and streams and rivers, you see how graphic is this reference in Revelation There fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers and upon the fountains of waters, and the name of the star is

called Wormwood," Have you ever thought how many imbittered lives there are all about us, misanthropic, morbid, aerid, saturnine? The European plant from which wormwood is ex-tracted, Artemisia absinthium, is a perennial plant, and all the year round it is ready to exude its oil. And in many human lives there is a perennial distillation of acrid experiences. Yea, there are some whose whole work is to shed a baleful influence on others. There are Attilas of the home, or Attilas of the social circle, or Attilas of the church, or Attilas of the state, and one-third of the waters of all the world, if not two-thirds the waters, are poisoned by the falling of the star Wormwood. It is not compumentary to human nature that most men, as soon as they get greater power, become overbearing The more power men have the better if their power be used for good. The less power men have the better if they use it for evil. Birds circle round and round and round pefore they swoop upon that which they are aiming for. And if my discourse so far has been swinging round and round this moment it drops straight on your heart and asks the question, Is your life a benediction to others or an imbitterment, a blessing or a curse, a balsam or wormwood?

Some of you I know are morning stars and you are making the dawning life of your children bright with gracious fluences, and you are beaming upon all the opening enterprises of philanthropic and Christian endeavor, and you are heralds of that day of gospelization which will yet flood all the mountains and valleys of cursed earth. Hail, morning star! Keep on shining with encouragement and Christian

Some of you are evening stars, and you

are cheering the last days of old people, and

though a cloud sometimes comes over you

ness of your old father and mother it is only

for a moment, and the star soon comes out

through the querulousness or unreasonabl

clear again and is seen from all the balco-nies of the neighborhood. The old people will forgive your occasional shorted for they themselves several times lost their patience when you were young and slapped you when you did not deserve it. Hall evening star! Hang on the darkening sky your diamond coronet! But are any of you the star Wormwood? Do you scold and growl from the thrones paternal or maternal? Are your children ever-lastingly pecked at? Are you always crying "Hush!" to the merry voices and swift feet and their laughter, which occasionally trickles through at the wrolle times and in suppressed by them until they can hold I ger, and all the barriers burst into un limited guffaw and cachinnation, as in high weather the water has trickled through a slight opening in the milidam, but afterward makes wider and wider breach until it carries all before it with irresistible freshet? Do not be too much offended at the noise your children now make. It will be still enough when one of them is dead. Then you would give your right hand to hear one shout from their stlent voices or one step from the still foot. her royal sepulchers, and taught the miser-You will not any of you have to wait very able cottagers of to-day to build huts in the ourts of her temples, and sent desolation and ruin skulking behind the obelisks, and dodging among the sarcaphagi, and leaning against the columns, and stooping under the are pulled and senselessly called to order and answer sharp and surpressed until it is a wonder that under such processes they do not all turn out Modocs and Nana Sahlbs.

What is your influence upon the neighborhood, the town or the city of your residence? I will suppose that you are a star of wit. What kind of rays do you shoot forth? Do you use that splendid faculty to irradiate the world or to rankle it? I bless all the apostolia college of humorists. The man that makes melaugh is my beneficiar. I do not thank anybody to make me cry? I can do that without any austance. We all cry about the palaces, her hanging sardens built by schuckadnesser to alease his builds. Anytis who had been brought up in a mountaint u long before your house is stiller than you

bless all skillful punsters, all reparteeists, all propounders of ingenious conumitrums. all those who mirthfully surprise us with unusual juxtaposition of words. Thomas Hood and Charles Lamb and Sldney Smith had a divine mission, and so have their successors in these times. They stir into the acid bev-erage of file the saucharine. They make the cup of earthly existence; which is sometimes stale; effervesce and bibble. They placate animosities. They foster longerity. They slay follies and absurdities which all the sermons of all the pulpits cannot reach.

They have for examples Elliah, who made fun of the Basiltes when they called down fire, and it did not come, suggesting that their heathen god had gone hunting, or was off on a journey, or was asieer, and nothing but vociferation could wake him, saying. "Ory aloud for he is a god. Either he is talking or pursely or peradventure he is talking or pursely or peradventure he sleepeth and must be awaked." They have an example in Christ, who with bealthful surcasm showed up the lying, hypodritical Pharisees by suggesting that such perfect people like themselves needed no improvements; saying, "Tue whole need not a physician but that that was slate." sician but they that are siek."

But what use are you making of your wit? Is it bestilrehed with profaulty and ancieanness? Do you employ it in amusement at physical defects for which the victims are not responsible? Are your flowers of mimtery used to put religion in contempt? a bunch of nettlesome invective? Is it a bolt of unjust scorn? Is it fun at other's misfortune? Is it glee at their disappointment and defeat? Is it bitterness put drop by drop into a cup? Is it like the squeezing di Artemisia absinthium into a draught already pungant? Then you are the star Wormwood. Yours is the fun of a rattle-snake trying flow well it can sting. It is the fun of a hawk trying how quickly it can strike out the eye of a dove.

But I will change this and suppose you are star of Worldly Prosperity. Then you. have large opportunity. You can encourage that artist by buying his picture. You can mprove the fields, the stables, the liighway, by introducing higher style of fowl and horse and cow and sheep. You can bless the world with pomo'ogical achievement in the orchards. You can advance arboriculture and arrest this deathful feonoclasm of the American forests: You can put a piece of sculpture into the niche of that public academy. You can endow a college. You can stocking a thousand bare feet from the winter frost. You can build a church. You can put a missionary of Christ on that foreign shore. You can help ransom a world, A rich man will life heart right—can you tell me how much good a Janus Lenox or a George Peabody or a P ter Cooper of a William E. Dodge did while hising, or is loing now that he is dead? There is not a sity, town or neighborhood that has not clorious speciments of consecrate I wealth.

But suppose for grind the face of the poor. Suppose when a filid's wages are due you make him wait for them becalishes canact help himself. Suppose that, because his family is sick and he has had extra expenses, he should politely ask you to raise his wages for this year and you roughly tell him if ho wants a better place to go and get it. Suppose by your mariner you act as though he were nothing and you were everything. Sup-pose you are selled and overbearing and arogant. Your first name ought to be Attila and your last name Attila, because you are the star Worm wood, and you have imbuttered one-third if not three-thirds of the waters that roll past your employes and operatives and dependents and associates, and the long line of carriages which the undertaker orders for your funeral; in order to make the occa-sion respectable, will be filled with twice as many dry, tearless eyes as there fire persons occupying them. There is an erroneous idea abroad that

there are only a few geniuses. There are militons of them—that is, men and women who have especial addition and quickness for some one thing. It may be great; it may be small. The circle may be like the difoumference of the earth or no larger than a thimole. There are thousands of geniuses, and in some one thing you are a star. rind of a star are you? You will be in this world but a few minutes. As compared with eternity the stay of the longest life on earth is not more than a minute. What are we toing with that minute? Are we imbittering the domestid or social or political fountains, or are we like Moses, who, when the Israelites in the wilderness complained that the water of Lake Marah were bitter and they could not drink them, cut off the branch of a cercain tree and threw that branch into the water, and it became sweet and slake i the thirst of the suffering host? Are we with a branch of the Tree of Life sweetening all the brackish fountains that we can touch?

Dear Lord, send us all out on that mission. All around as imbittered lives-imbit tered by prosecution, imbittered by hyper-criticism, imbittered by poverty, im-bittered by pain, imbittered by injustice, imbittered by sin. Why not go forth and sweeten them by smile, by inspiring words, by benefactions, by hearty counsel, by prayer, y gospelized behavior? Let us rememb bat if we are wormwood to others we are worm wood to ourselves, and our life will be bitter and our eternity bitteref; The gospel of Jesus Christ is the only sweetening power that is sufficient. It sweetens the disposiion. It sweet as the manners, I' sweetens ife. It sweet as mysterious providences. It awestens a actions. It sweetens death It sweetens brything. I have fleard people asked in soint company, "If you could have three wishes gratified what would your three wishes be?" If I could have three wishes met this morning, I tell you what they would be: 1. More of the grace of God 2. More of the grace of God. 3. More of the grace of God. In the dooryard of my brother John, missionary in Amoy, China, here was a tree called the emperor tree, the two characteristics of which are that it al-ways grows higher than its surroundings, and its leaves take the form of a crown. If this emperor tree to planted by a rosebush, it grows a little higher than the bush and spreads out above it a crown. If it be planted by the side of another tree, it grows a little higher than that ree and spreads above it a crows. Would God that this religion of Christ, # more wonderful emperor tree, might overshadow all your lives! Are you lowly in ambition or ircumstance, putting over you its crown? Are you high in talent and position, pulling over you its ecown? Oh, for more of the accharine in our lives and less of the worm-

What is true of individua's is true of na-

lous. God sets them up to revolve as stars,

but they may fall wormwool. Tyre, the atmosphere of the desert, frarant with spices, coming in caravans to ber fairs, all seas cleft into foam by the keels of her laden merchantmen, her markets rich with horses and camels from Togarmab, her bazaars filled with upholstery from Dedan, with emerald and coral and agate from Syria, with wines from Helbon, with embroidered work from Ashur and Chilmad Where now the gleam of her towers, wher the roar of her chariots, where the masts of her ships? Let the fishermen who dry their nets wh re once she stood, let the sea that rushes upon the barrenness where once she challenged the admiration of all nations, the burbarians who set their ruds tents where once her palaces glittered, answer the question. She was a star, but by her own sin turned to wormwood and has fallen. Hundred gated Thebes, for all time to be the study of the antiquariam and hieroglyphist, her studen loss ration spread over miles, her sculptures presenting in figures varrior and charlot the victories with which the now forgotten kings of Egypt shook the nations, her obelisks and columns, Carnac and Luxor, the stupendous temples of her pride! Who can imagine the greatness of Thebes in those days when the hippodrome rang with her sports and foreign royalty bowed at her shrine and her avenues roared with the wheels of processions in the wake of returning conquerors? What dashed down the vision of charlots and temples and thrones? What hands pulled upon the columns of her glory? What ruthlessuess defaced her sculptured wall and broke ob-lisks and left her indescribable temples great skeletons of granite? What spirit of de-struction spread the lair of wild beasts in skeletons of granite? courts of her temples, and sent desolation

country and could not endure the flat c try found Bubylon—these hanging gardens built, terrace above ferrace, till at the height of 400 feet there were woods waving and fountains playing, the verture, the foliage, the glory looking as it a mountain were on the giory looking as it a motitation withing withing withing of the tiptop a king withing within his queen, among statues snowy white, looking up at birds brought from distant lands, and drinking out of tankards of solid gold of looking off over rivers and lakes upon nalons subdue I and tributary, crying, "Is not

this great Babylon which I have built.
What battering rum smote the walls? What
plowshare upturned the gardens? What
army shattered the brazen gates? What
long, flerce blast of storm put out this light which illumined the world? What crash of discord drove down the music that poured from palace window and garden grove and called the banqueters to their revel and the dancers to their feet? I walk upon the scene of desolation to find an answer and pick up pieces of bittimen and brick and broken pottery, the remains of Babylon, and as in the slience of the night I hear the surging of that billow of desolation which rolls over the scene, I hear the wild waves saying: "Babylon was proud. Babylon was

impure. Babylon was a star, but by sin she tuned to wormwood and has fallen."

From the prosecutions of the pilgrim fathers and the Huguenots in other lands. God set upon these shores a nation. The derectifies of the aborigines went out in the greater light of a free government. The sound of the warwhoop was exchanged for the thousand wheels of enterprise and progression. ress. The mild winters, the fruitful summers, the healthful skies, charmed from other leads a race of hardy men who loved God and wanted to be free. Before the woodman's ax forests fell and rose again in-to ships' mass and charches' pillars. Office on thebanks of lakes begin to rival cities by the sea. The land quakes with the rush of the rail car and the waters are churned white with the steamer's wheel. Pabulous bushe's of western whent meet on the way fab-ulous tons of eastern coal. Furs from the north ons on the river fruits from the south. And ruding in the same market is Maine lumberman and South Carolina rice merchant and Ohio farmer and Alaska fur dealer. And churches and schools and asylums matter light and love and mercy and salvation upon

60,000,00) of people. I pray that our nation may not copy the crimes of the nations that have perished and our cup of blessing turn to wormwood, and like them we go dowb. I am by nature and by grace an optimist, and I expect that this country will continue to advance until Christ shall come again. But be not deceived. Our orly safety is in righteousness toward God and instice toward map. It we torget the god hers of the Lord to this land, and break His Sabbaths, and improve not by the dire disasters that have again and sening come to us as a nation, and we learn saving lesson neither from civil war nor raging epilemie nor drought nor mildew nor scourge of locust and grasshopper nor evelone nor earthquaise; if the political corruption whilely has poisoned the fountains of public visus and besilmed the high places of authority. making free government at times a fissing and a byword in all the earth; if the drunkenness and licentiousness that stagger and plasphome in the streets of our great cities as though they were reaching after the fame of a Cyrinth and a Sodom are not repented of, we will vet see the smoke of our nation's min: the pillars of our national and state capitols will fall more disastrously than when Samson pulled down Dagon, and inture historians will record upon the page bedewed with generous tears the story that the free nation of the west arose in splendor which made the world stare. magnificent possibilities. It forgot God. It hated justice. It hugged its crime. It hated on its high march. It reeled under the blow of calamity. It fell. And as it was going down all the despotisms of earth from the top of bloody thrones begin to shout, "Aha, so would we have it!" whilestruggling and oppressed people lookel out from dungeon bars with tears and groans and cries of untold agony, the scorn of those and the woe of these uniting in the exclamation. "Look yonder! There fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers and upon the fountains of waters, and the name of the star is called Worm wood!

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

The Industrial Situation as Reported for the Past Week. Reports from hundreds of southern correspondents as to industrial and business conditions in the south for

the past week, notes the same quiet state of affairs that is usual at this season of the year. Recent statistics as to the iron output since January 1 and the stocks now unsold, show a fair consumption, but it is considerably below the output of pig iron. The iron and steel market continues dull, but the southern furnaces, with only a few exceptions, are busy. An encouraging transaction for the week reported from Alabams, in the Birmingham district, was the sale of 500 tons of pig iron for immediate slipment to Italy made by the Tennessce Coal, Iron and Railway company. Negotiations are also pend-

Italian steel making concern for the delivery for a term of years of 50,000 tons of iron per annum. " Lumber shows little change. Business is better in some sections, but no marked improvement is expected until

ing between this company and an

later in the summer. At the coal mines trade is active for the season and no labor disturbances of any importance are reported. The textile manufacturers report & quiet business and are making no effort to rush the market while prices remain so low. The dull season, however, has no depressing effect upon cotton mill building and several new

about \$800,000, which will be established at Birmingham, Ala., by Trainer Bros., of Chester, Pa. Among the most important new industries reported for the week are the Buncombe Brick company, capital \$25,000, at Asheville, N. C.; the Fischer Land and Improvement company, New Orleans, La., capital \$50,-000; the Cheraw, S. C., Land and Improvement company, capital \$20,-000; the Beatty Lumber company, Clifton Forge, Va., capital \$250,000,

concerns are reported, the largest be-

ing a 30,000-spindle cotton mill to cost

tal of \$25,000. Other new industries are as follows: An ice fectory at Spartanburg, S. C.; machine shops at Norfolk, Va.; cosl mines to be opened at Garrison, Tex.; a cotton mill at Birmingham, Ala.; a broom factory at Greensboro, N. C.; a furniture factory at Mebane, N. C., and a lumber mill at Crockett, Tex.

and a lumber manufacturing company

at Elizabeth City, N. C., with a capi-

The culargements include a phosshate company, at Raleigh, N. C.; a cotton mill at Salem. N. C. : kuitting mill at Cheraw, S. C.; at Olive Tex, a lumber mill, and at Waco, Tex., mantel and screen works.

The new buildings for the week as reported are a \$40,000 Y. M. C. A. building at Mobile, Ala,; a \$10,000 business house at Louisville, Ky., and another to cost \$25,000 at Shreveport, La. : a \$40,000 court house at Charlotte, N. C., aud one at Harrisonburg, Va., to cost \$45,000. A 300,000 depot will be built at Atlanta, Ga., and a government building is to be erected at Savannah, Ga., at a cost of \$209,000. -Tradesman (Chattanooga, Tenn.)

Compassion to an offender who has grossly violated the laws is, in effect, a cruelty to peaceable subjects,