the value of manufactured cotton to the State doubled in the peirod be-tween 1890 and 1900, while at pres-ent it represents nearly 40 per cent. of the combined value of North Car-The Tradesman.

The statement that North Carolina olina's industrial output, but as al-The statement that North Carolina has a greater diversity of resources than any other in the United States may seem exaggerated, but an ex-amination of its various products bears out this assertion. It should be remembered that located as it is on is grown in the State and take a considerable quantity from outside. the dividing line between the temperate and sub-tropical region, it pro-

duces vegetation natural to both

AGRICULTURE.

The various branches of agriculture further indicate the diversified Comprising over 50,000 miles in resources of this Commonwealth, While about 50 per cent. of the farm it is considerably larger than агея, the State of New York and its topoarea is devoted to corn, the cultivagaphy includes mountains, plateau plains and swamp land, which yield resources of great value. Beginning a survey of the State at the coast line, tion of tobacco has increased so rapidly that at the present time the acreage is more than double the territi- Wherein lies the present commerry which was planted even fifteen cial strength and hope for future attention is at first called to the exyears ago, placing North Carolina tent of its fisheries. In value these at present are equal to the combined next to Kentucky in the importance and value of this crop. At such marindustry in South Carolina, Georgia kets as Henderson and Durham, toand Florida, and are among the most bacco of such a grade is raised in the vicinity that it is sold in the ware-houses directly to the representatives important in the United States. The money revenue at present secured from them amounts to nearly \$2,000 .of the manufaceurers at princes rang-000 annually and they give employ-ment to no less than 15,000 men. This ing as high as 90 cents to the pound and over. There is no question but is partly due to the natural advanwhat this asset is one of the most imtages for the industry as the east-ern section of North Carolina inportant in connection with the wealth of the State and that it can be greatcludes the three great sounds-Pamly expanded as more territory is taklico, Albemarle, and Currituck, Pamen up by the tobacco grower and lico Sound is an inland sea in dimenmore economical methods adopted in slon, being no less than 80 miles in length with a maximum width of the cultivation.

Reference has already been made Albemarle is 60 miles long to the importance of lumbering, esand Currituck 50 miles, the total area pecially in the eastern part of the of these natural fishing ponds aggre-State, but including the hardwood for-ests in the western section this form gating over 3,000 square miles. Bordering the sounds is a territory which of activity has made literally pheat present has been but little develnomenal progress. In 1890, the cen-sus records show the entire value of except in securing the literal wealth of timber which it contains. the output was but \$6,000,000. In er for running the machinery, all In this territory is oak as well as cyten years this had increased to nearpress, and although the lumbering inly 1\$,000,000, a gain of 250 per cent., dustry in North Carolina has attained while conservative estimates of the very large proportions, but a comquantity of hardwood and pine prosmall proportion of the paratively ducts which now some from the sevhard wood has beeen thus far secureral plants througout the State, place ed, the principal industry being conthe yearly value at fully \$20,000,000. fined to the long leaf pine which originally covered 15,000 square miles part of the State still contains very of the State. large tracts of hardwood timber which remain untouched partly for

TIMBER AND TRUCK FARMING.

The timber product from the low- the reason that they are inaccessible, lying territory adjacent to the sound for lack of transportation facilities. is largely transported by water for with the construction of additional the reason that the mileage of rall-road lines is extremely small. In fact, to expand in the near future even the only railroad of importance ex- more rapidly than it has expanded in tending parallel with the coast in the the last decade. Unquestionably the far eastern section is that between opportunity for railroad promotion Wilmington and Newbern leaving a and construction are still very great large area of the northeastern in .. orth Carolina. At the present very part of the State with no railroad time the total mileage does not ex-mileage whatever. For this reason, ceed 4,000, being combined princimuch land especially suitable for ag-riculture is as yet unoccupied, this Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line section of the State containing a very systems. Several projects, nowever, small population in contrast with the are now under way which promise central and even the western portions. to considerably increase the transpor-That this land is especially adapted tation facilities. One of these is the to certain kinds of farm products completion of a railroad which will cotton, which is without question the written law and deal out a rew of arready people attending pres-is indicated by the remarkable de-iskirt the coast giving the eastern por-greatest of Southern industries. It its mandates to a few of the crimi-hugnes as the next Republican pres-cide!" Hugnes as the next Republican pres-recopment in the growing of fruit and tion of the State direct connection were present in the growing of fruit and tion of the State direct connection were present in the provide the written code. vegetables, of Wilmington. This industry has of a syndicate which will extend it to tract can be made in the building and literally progressed by leaps bounds within the last few years and Newbern line at the latter city. This or cotton seed oil mill. Four such extension wil comprise 75 miles and contracting firms in yearly income of the people of North reach a large area of territory. In-Carolina. As an illustration of the cluding several counties which de-extent and profit of truck-raising it pend entirely upon vessels for commay be stated that one farm con- munication with the local and Northtaining about 1,000 acres in the vi- ern markets. cinity of Newbern has yielded a net GOLD AND OTHER MINERALS. revenue of \$50,000 in a single year The need of additional railways in after deducting all expenses, including the western portion of the State has taxes and interest on the original inalso caused several plans to be convestment made in the land. The residered for reaching not only the timsults obtained from operations on a ber but mineral territory. As yet the smaller scale have been equally as mineral resources of North Carolina profitable in this part of the State, have been but little exploited, alby reason of the climate and though they are both 'extensive and soil, the locality is especially adapted for the growing of winter vege-This is one of the reasons tables. why North Carolina ranks among the most important States in the cultivawith Alabama or Georgia. North Car- lotte. tion of sweet potatoes. The extent olina contains some of the finest granof this branch of agriculture is such ite in America, and what is practicalthat during the shipping season enly an inexhaustible supply, but its thre train loads of vegetables and quarrying industry is still of very sman proportions. In the vicinity of small fruits are sent to the Northern market, while the coast-wise steamers Charlotte gold has been secured for a plying from Newbern and other towns period of years, but most of the mindepend largely upon it for freight. ing is performed with antiquated ma-The natural conditions in eastern chinery and by such crude Methods North Carolina are somewhat simithat the revenue does not justify the lar to those in southern Floriday. development of the industry on a Investigations by engineers show more extensive scale. that much of the land at present un-The remarkable progressiveness of der water can be readily drained the State is perhaps best shown by while its richness is such that it will produce abundantly without fertilizathe case of Virginia, North Carolina tion of any kind. THE MANUFACTORIES Few States have been as naturally favored for manufacturing as Uorth that as recently as 1890 the number ly promote the growth of the city. of banks of all kinds within the lim-Carolina on account of its topography and the number of large rivers flow- its of North Carolina represented the newspapers. Nowhere in the ing across it into the sea. In this but a nominal agure. In fact, the South are to be found journals which respect it equals South Carolina or people were nearly destitute of such any other Southern Commonwealth. facilities. Since that time, however, A recent survey of the various water institutions doing business under State available for development charters as well as private banks and power shows that in the aggregate they rep- saving banks have been organized to resent over 3,500,000 horse-power, such an extent that the present time Some of the single sites at the present Norin Carolina contains over 175. 100,000 horse-power having a total capital of nearly \$8,time develop 100,000 horse-power having a total capital of nearly \$8,-utilized directly for factory purposes 000,000. Their success is best shown or for generating the electric current by the figures of the combined surbe employed for illumination as plus which amounts to nearly \$2,000 well as power distribution in various 000. Their deposit everage \$25,000,000 This is one reason why North annually with loans of the same Ways. Carolina containing so many small amount. Here is a record of which the tion. cotton mills. No other State equals people of North Carolina may well be it in this respect and the percentagle proud, for it represents a business of small mills being operated at a which has literally been created with-It may be in the last fifteen years. One notable profit is very notable. needless to say that the number of feature of the financial activity in humds engaged in textile work in banking has been the establishment North Carolina is equal to if not of savings banks. The State contains greater than in the State as Massa- nearly twenty of these institutions have been of much benefit especially chusetts, despite the period of time in have been of much benefit especialiq which this industry has been carried in the factory towns, where their n in New England. As in South patrons are largely mill operatives. Carolina a number of communities are notable as being important cen-CHARLOTTE. ters of the industry. For example,

NORTH STATE'S WEALTH SOME FACTS ABOUT THE STATE'S WEALTH Base dreases the investment of a larger mount of capital, both Southern and mount of the southern and mount of the southern and mount of New York. The casimand mount of New York South are some of the present southern and mount of capital, both Southern and mount of the southern and mo certainly the entire freedom from lung troubles together with the great age to which many of its citizens attain will bear out this statement. The fall, winter and spring are delightful, while the summer weather is rarely oppressive. The city health authorities have

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always been active in putting into operation all precautionary measures for the prevention of disease, and consequently the death rate is unusually low.

Taking into consideration all of its many advantages loyal Charlotteans are fond of calling their home town the Queen City.

Before entering into any detailed statement, it may be well to inquire: greatness of this, the Queen City of the Carolinas? The answer is as certain as it is simple. Leaving out of view all other advantages, we can say without boastful exaggeration, that Charlotte is now the acknowledged cotton mill centre of the South, and we believe that it is destined to become the cotton mill centre of the world within the next thirty years.

Why? Because we have gotten under "full sail" before other Southern cities, and such lead means much; in fact New England holds her own to-day in the textile world, principally on account of "the lead" she has heretofore obtained.

In the next place the conditions in the piedmont section of the Carolinas are practically perfect for cotton manufacturing: the mild yet not oppressive climate, the low price of living, the ever-diminishing cost of powcontribute in making Charlotte and her sister towns ideal locations for mills.

Our pledmont section is fast coming to mean, in the popular mind, the South. Within a radius of 190 miles of Charlotte there are already over 335 cotton mills, representing an investment of about \$130,000,000, and operating over 4,000,000 spindles. More than one-half of the looms and spindles of the entire South are withtwo hours' ride of Charlotte.

But the pledmont section is not alone famous as a cotton centre, it is rapidly making a national reputation through the growth and development in its furniture factories of which there are over 200, and raw material is still available in sufficient quantithe Grand Rapids of the South.

that here is to be found the only and a connection with the Wilmington and fitting out of a complete cotton mill, throughout the world, plants for the manufacture of cloth, yarns and the various other products of King Cotton. In regard to the cotton oil industry rapid growth and development in this line also during the past twenty lish top hat." years one of the above mentioned firms alone has built more than 200 cotton oil mills. A considerable portion of this cotton oll ma- Ella Higginson, in Scribner. varied. For example, the deposits of chinery has been exported, and a God of the lonely soul, for ore are of much importance al- contract to build and equip an oil God of the comfortless iron ore are of much importance, al- contract to build and equip an oil though as yet the annual output is mill in Brazil was recently executed an insignificant tonnage as compared by the D. A. Tompkins Co., of Charour city already has twenty cot-ton mills, and three oil mills; the For those of high and proud estate, daily capacity of the latter is 350 tons of seed. We have seven machine shops engaged in building cotton gins, press- And those that be too blind to see es, engines bollers, mining and mill machinery. Though it may be considered a rash statement . we make bold to assert Whoever walks the city's streets, that Charlotte banks don't fail, not a single one having gone into liquidation during the past twenty-five statistics relative to its banks. As in have all been conducted by able bushave all been conducted by able bussuffered heavily as a restult of the iness men, on the soundest basis, suffered heavily as a restult of the iness men, on the soundest basis, and stains upon their souls command the entire condence of the slowly. This is indicated by the fact people, and are thus enabled to great- And walk their way with trembling Another factor in our progress in are striving harder to build up their own particular section than the three great dailies of Charlotte, which have made reputations for themselves far beyond the State borders. Among the most successful con which have placed Charlotte in the front rank of this business. In ad-If each but reap as he hath sowndition to the above there are many other diversified industries springing I up which are too numerous to men-But according to the parable of the wine at the feast, we have reserved Charlotte's best advantage until the last. No town in the South, with which the writer is acquainted, has such present facilities or future possibilities for the development of electric power, as has Charlotte. Blectrictity is destined to be the peculiar wonder of the twentleth century, especially in the matter of manufacturing, and Charlotte has been a leader

a great city, newspapers, theatres, churches, colleges, street cars, etc., without the walled-up seclusiveness. Three building and loan associa tions are in most | successful opera-

tion, and by this means hundreds of working men have been enabled to buy their own places, and Charlotte' "home owners."

Anto

No sketch like the present one would be complete without a word as to the street car lines. Some years ago Mr. E. D: Latta and his associates began the great work of giving to the citizens the best possible street rallway advantages:"In this they have succeeded, and have now undertaken the still greater work of building interurban systems. The Southern Railway is laying double tracks from Washington to Atlanta, and the Seaboard has recently bought a large quantity of land here for the purpose of enlarging its freight facilities, and making this a terminal point.

passenger trains are so ar-The ranged that Charlotte is probably the most accessible point in the Caroliure trip.

A magnificent new hotel, the Selwyn, to be under the management of the famous Boston firm. Harvey & as one of the first-class houses in the South. It is hard, to stop enumerating all of the things that are being done in Charlotte, but consideration must be shown for the patience of the casual reader.

Our citizens were never so enthusiastic about Charlotte, as at the present, and there can be little doubt that the growth in the next decade said. will be much more remarkable than during the one just past.

In biblical phrase, the conclusion of the whole matter is that everythe cotton manufacturing portion of thing points to Charlotte's becoming the great city of the pledmont section.

That "Unwritten Law" Business Davidson Dispatch.

The "unwritten law" is doing more business than the written law. Actually there seems to be an epidemic unwritten law episodes. It extends from State to State and spreads all over the Union. There is no written law business. It creeps up on your sentimental side, your blind Point, with its 35 furniture factories, law when you are normally opposed this time has applied to no one for to anything of the sort. Juries could advice as to how to run the State. There are also in Charlotte a great not serve their country & better turn

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has become preeminently a city of and there are not many men who are

not, are having lots to talk about in this neck of the woods these days. Governor Hughes' message made New York sit up and take notice. It has been the principal topic for discussion wherever men congregate ever since is appeared. Gov. Hughes' supporters, of course, are in high deriving much satisfaction in telling everybody they meet, "I told you so." Hearstites are scarcely less joyful, the Governor has declared himself in unmistakable terms in favor of the very reforms which Hearst loudly declared he was going to bring about if elected but which the majority of the people of the State, as they showed by their votes, doubted he would do. Immediately on the message's appearance the Hearst papers rose up and most accessible point in the Caroli-nas, for a one day business or pleas-Hughes had simply stolen Hearst's political clothes and that all the ideas incorporated in the message were merely appropriated from the Hearst platform. The difference is that Wood, has just been completed, and 'Hearst was full of promises, but his will in a few months take its place acceptance of the support of Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany boss, caused doubts as to his sincerity, whereas Governor Hughes promised nothing before election and has a

clear track before him. The general feeling of jubilance with which the message was read was marked. . . here was a tone about it which seemed to indicate that the man who wrote it meant what he suspicious of campaign promises, sinc District Attorney Jerome "handed them a lemon," as the popular saying has it; but the absence of any rhetorical fireworks and spectacular posing in the message created confidence

It is said that the atmosphere around Albany is one of deep gloom. The old-time gathering of "practical politicions" is no more. The old crowd of statesmen who were anxious to save the country by getting into puublic office and by telling a new Governor just what he ought to do is no more. The line-up at the ple-counter which always has been the regular thing immediately on the inmore insidious foe than this same up- stallation of a new Governor has disappeared. To the deep grief and utter confounding of professional politiciside, and before you know it, you, ans, Governor Hughes seems to take ties to sustain many more. High too, are a champion of the unwritten no one into his confidence and up to Such is the news sent from Albany number of enterprises more or less than allowing this rot to get under to the local papers. It is being read

Said—Already Talking Him As Presidential Timber—The Fight to Oust Mayor McClellan Causing a Great Deal of Talk—Some Sym-pathy in High Places for Hearst— McClellan a Man Without Friends —The Teddy Bear Craze—The Ex-ploits of the Statistical Flend. Itrust all the year around. The out-of-town man sometimes wonders why "they"—the people—don't do somet thing about it. Yet when election comes around, "they" go and vote the same old way, and Tammany's power is as secure as ever. If the Republi-can party is as bad as the Democratic, as "they" say and no henefit is to be as "they" say and no benefit is to be BY CHARLES PHILLIPS RUSSELL. derived from either, one is tempted to

wonder why they don't decline to New York, Jan. 7.—Men interested vote for either and organize a party purchased, above named, is a mile or so up the river from the present threw a precious scare into the ranks of the regulars, too.

> fondling clasping a "Teddy bear" in her arms. "Isn't he sweet?" she said cotton mills to be run by the power to the reporters. "Harry gave him to me. Isn't he just too dear for any-thing!" And with a final cuddle, she And with a final cuddle, she stepped into her carriage.

88 reached the limit. For a while it was confined to the children, but now it has reached the grown women. Fashionably dressed women ride up or to get the railroad people to move and down Fifth avenue in open car- the station a mile nearer the river them all sorts of endearing names, their goods to the siding and save Rustling and bejeweled women walk the great expense they now have of up and down Broadway toting Tedddy hauling the goods to Eufola. bears in their arms and talking babytalk to them.

ordinary, gross-minded. unfeeling

spoiled, conceited little lap dogs whom they kissed on the point of the who wrote it meant what he nose in public and fed on bonbons and granite business but is capable People up here have become bad enough, but to see a grown wo- and energetic and has a fine opporhad sense lovingly combing the hair in his home town. on a stuffed toy and lavishing ca-resses on it makes a healthy man the marble and granite business since

> men get tired of Teddy bears and they are relegated to the tenement children, the market will be curtailed and prices will be raised. Then the newspapers will come out with double-barelled editorials on the Teddy Bear Trust. Well, it is an ill wind, etc. It is said that the man who first put Teddy bears on the market has made a fortune out of them, and he needed the money, too.

the statistical fiend has broken loose again. Now New York is rejoicing Mr. Isidore Wallace has sold to Mr. connected with the manufacture of their feet while they consider only the with a great deal of satisfaction, and velt can't point the condemnatory cotton, which is without question the written law and deal out a few of already people are talking about finger at it and exclaim: "Race sui-

There were 48,355 marriages in New York last year and 111,772 New York last year

SECOND SECTION.

MILLS BUY LAND.

Long Island Cotton Mill Co Buys Three Tracts on Cataw Will Build Other Mills-Deals.

Special to The Observer.

Statesville, Jan. 11.-The Long Is land Cotton Mill Company, which op land Cotton Mill Company, which op-erates two mills on the Catawba river 10 miles from Statesville, has bought the Daniel Moore place on the river, for \$4,000; also an island of three or four acres, and about an acre on this side of the river from Mr. Clark for the sum of \$2,000. Wade The present mills are on the opposite side of the river from Statesville in Catawba county. The land recently or so up the river from the present mill site and nearer the Southern Rallway's bridge across the river. Harry Thaw's wife came out of the There is a pretty good fall in the Tombs the morning after New Year's that the Long Island Company will cotton mills to be run by the power

obtained from them. Eufola station is just two miles this side of the railroad bridge across the This Teddy bear craze has about river and only about a mile and a quarter from the river, the railroad following the bed of the river some distance. The company will endeavriages fondling in their laps these lit- and have them run a siding to the tle stuffed toys with their glassy eyes river bank. If this were done, the and inanimate expression and calling mill could use ferry boats to convey

Mr. B. B. Webb, who was for a long time connected with the Carolina It may be all right. The women Marble and Granite Company, but seem to think nothing of it, but to see who gove up the business about five a tall, well-dressed woman, anywhere years ago and has since been in the between 20 and 60 years of age, pa- railway postal service, has bought rading the streets talking baby-talk to out the former business and will again a piece of hide stuffed out with saw- take charge and control it. Mr. dust to imitate a bear cub gives an Webb has resigned his position in the ordinary, gross-minded, uncerned postal service, ins resignation at the effect the 15th instant. Last summer effect the 15th instant. Last summer be moved to Salisbury to be at the be moved to Salisbury to be at the back end of his run, but he will move back here in a week or so. Mr. Webb is nose in public and fed on bonbons not only experienced in the marble man who looks as if she might have tunity to succeed in his old business

want to go off and be real rude to somebody. Teddy bears are already being its Company, has not decided on his hawked on the streets. Directly future work. He will retain his in-there will be a Teddy Bear Trust. terest in the marble business at Salis-Then about the time the society wo- bury, which he owns with Mr. T. J. Rabe, and will give his attention to that for the present, although he does not in tend leaving Statesville.

Mr. R. L. Flanigan, who has been secretary and treasurer of the company, will retire and give his attention to other matters.

There have been quite a number of real estate deals during the past few days. Mr. N. B. Mills has sold a lot corner Oak and Alexander streets to Mr. P. W. Eagle, of With the advent of the New Year, Sharpesburg township, and Mr. Eagle will build on it and move to town. over the fact that President Roose- W. W. Lindley, of Turnersburg, a lot on Fourth street and Mr. Lindley will build on the lot. Mr. H. O. Steele has bought from Prof. J. H. Hill a part of the valuable Statesville Academy lot, corner Bell and Mulberry streets. Mr. Steele will prob-Mr. John M. Sharpe, real estate Every day in New York last year houses on them to rent. Mr. Sharpe 306 babies were born. Every day has sold a house and lot on Tradd 132 couple were married. Eevery day street to Mrs. Tom Cook, the considsold fgor Mr. N. W. Fowler a house and lot on Tradd street to Mr. C. P. Crawford for \$1,700; and one on Front street belonging to Mr. M. L. Gunn to Mr. Crawford for \$1,550.

over 20 mills are situated within a The Capital City of the Carolinasshort distance of the city of Charlotte, which has attained its reputation as being one of most progressive cities in the South principally for E. R. Preston, President of the Greatthis reason. In Gaston county in the extreme southwestern section of the State are probable more industries of

this kind than in any other county 'in The expression, capital of the Carthe United States. It is an interesting olinas, has been used with no intenfact that the facalities for the protion of giving offence to our sister duction of yarn and cloth at a small cities of Raleigh, N. C., and Columbia, cost are such that many of the fac-S. C.; the idea we wish to convey is

tories in this county as well as elsemerely that Charlotte is the natural where have conducted and been commercial centre of the Carolinas, equipped largely by the mill hands because it is the geographical and themselves. In other words the co-operative system has been carried out railroad centre of the two States; being located in a south middle postmore extensively in this State than tion as to North Carolina, and only elsewhere on a successful basis White a few miles from the heart of South the tendency has been to of late Carolina, six railways radiate from it build plants of much larger capacity than formerly, there is no question in all directions as the spokes from the hub of a wheel. If, therefore, what the abundant water-power bat addition to the proximity of the raw material has enabled the small mills to be operated possibly with greater success than in other parts

any concern wishes to locate an office in the Union has such water power as or factory, from which to do business over the two States, Charlotte is cermills to be operated possibly with over the two States, Charlotte is cer-greater success than in other parts of the South. The opportunity for ob-taining 50,000 or more horse-power from a single site, however, has we have now a population of over an amount sufficient to drive all the taining 50,000 for more horse-power from a single site, however, has we have now a population of over an amount sufficient to drive all the

Rapid Growth.

man.

Health Conditions-Prospects For

er Charlotte Club, in The Trades-

in developing electric power, Southern Power Company, on the Catawba, and the Whitney Company,

on the Yadkin. - Millions have already been spent on these water powers and millions In Tybee, Cuba or Cathay. more are to be spent. It is estimated

that in a short while Charlotte will have available by this means 200,-000 electrical horse power at about one-half the cost of steam. The Southern Power Company, under the liberal and progressive man-

agement of Mr. W. S. Lee, Jr., and his associates, has already become a tremendous developing and upbuild-ing force in this whole region, and it agement of Mr. W. S. Lee, Jr., and ing force in this whole region, and it streams, is stated on good authority that the Or by some ancient mountain's brow Whitney Company will soon be sending its lines to Charlotte.

This is but a beginning. No State North Carolina. There are 4,300 miles of streams whose average fall

under the written code.

A Pertinent Inquiry Salisbury Evening Post.

Wonder if Perkins ever did find the right page to that letter!

Dr. Former Hansen, who has recently returned from Abyssinia, says that on state occasions the boy who is to succeed to the Emperor Menelik's stands by the Emperor's side "I the Emperor's side "In Abysit might be of interest to note that sinian dress, carrying a long spear, and mark of European civilization, the Eng-

A PRAYER.

God of the broken heart-for these Thy tenderness,

Each has his share

But the beggar at my door, The thief behind the bars, The shining stars;

Homeless and cold,

The sad and lone of soul Whom no man understands

hearts Afraid to wcep

For the childless mother, Lord, And, ah the little child Weeping the mother in her grave Unreconciled-

God of the lonely soul. God of the comfortless. For these and such as these, I ask Thy tenderness

I ask Thee not

only ask of Thee The marvel of a space

When those forgot and blind may look Upon Thy face.

WHAT MATTERS IT?

What reck we of the creeds of men What reck we of the creeds of men. We see them -we shall see again. What reck we of the tempest's shock? What reck we where our anchor lock, On golden marl or mold, In salt sea flower or river rock, What matter, so it hold?

What matters if the spot we fill On earth's green sod, when all is said in this work, thanks to the two great companies which have been engaged in developing electric power, the when hate or love can kill nor thrill. When we are done with life and dead?

> Bo we be haunted night or day By any sin that we have sinned Or in some world of winter wind?

It may be I would wish to sleep Beneath the wan, while stars of Ju And hear the southern breezes creep Between me and the mellow moon; Eut so I do not wake to weep At any night or any moon;

Kinsed by the morn's or sunset's beams.

For we shall' rest; the brain that planned. That thought or wrought for well or ill.

Now if these babies were dignified administration would come births, as a great relief after the succes-sion of Rooseveltism tempests at seventeen and a half times around the Washington.

dependence League tickets, made an- leads one too. nouncement of his suit to that end to-day.

fairly elected mayor and that Hearst were 76,206. was really counted out. This belief not confined to Mr. Hearts's socalled "yellow constituency," but obtains among a pretty solid, substan-tial class of citizens. Of course, the of course, the Hearst papers have fostered and enouraged this belief with might and main, but the fact is that there are My fleshly bonds dissolved, and all my a great many people in New York, not soul soul and an my soul soul gellow-minded by any means either, God-pointed, I can hear the glorious who believe that even if Hearst did lose in the mayorality contest he was initial to a recount and that if May or McClellan was fairly and squarely or McClellan was fairly and squarely wind elected he would not be moving heav- And all the broken chords of human en and earth, as he is at present, to Governor Hughes voices the sentiment of a great many people when he suggested in his message that if there wa ount was not made, it was only just to have the votes counted over again. That The mayor has small sympathy in his fight against a recount. In fact. in the hearts of the people in the city, anyhow. Instead of devoting his time to advancing the welfare of the people who have selected him as their nayor, he is accused of directing all his attention to the furtherance of nis fight aaginst Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall. He has lit-tle public sympathy behind him in Deserts my failing, helpless, human eyes: spite of the fact that he is warring on the Tammany chieftain, who, it is said, is as corrupt a boss as the city said, is as corrupt a boss as the city ever had. The city believes that it instead of poetry, the prose of life from Murphy, the mayor has taken up with State Senator "Pot" McCarren, leader of the King's county Democracy and boss of Brooklyn, whose reputation is distinctly unsavory, having been rendered odorous by his connection with the gas trust and the Standard Oll Company.

There is no doubt that the mayor has lost considerable ground through his failure to live up to the pledge made for him by Judge Alton B. Parker. Just after the mayoralty election last year ... udge Parker, as coun-Mayor McClellan would do nothing to Thy great perfection. prevent a recount, and that if he did, he. Parker, would not represent him. It is strange that the man behind his thumb, is William F. Sheehan, Th' ignited heartily cursed in New York to-day. Sneehan is also reputed to be a ser-vant of August Belmont. Mr. Bel-mont is the American agent of the Rothschilds. He and Mr. Thomas F. Ryan, through their acquirement of all the traction facilities of the eith have been referred to by radical papers as "the proprietors of New Yor... Mr. Sheehan is also law partner of Judge Alton B. Parker. There is no one to refute these charges or to take up the cudgels in defense of the mayor, as he has not a friend among the newspapers of the city. The mayor was placed in his seat by Tammany and no paper of course, wants to be known as defending any man who has any connection with Tammany. There may be a great deal to be said on his side.

This is a queer town. This remark is not original, having been made a

the earth and enough would be left over to consume the total annual out- agent, has sold a small house and lot Another thing that is causing a great deal of talk and discussion in New York at present is the fight to oust Mayor McClellan from his chair. Attorney General Jackson, recently awake nights and to—but enough. It is the fight on the beginning of the backson is the fight for the size of Nashville. Tenn., Attorney General Jackson, recently awake nights and to—but enough. It is the form Wyoming, has bound a small house and lot on Fifth strifeet to Mr. J. F. Rumple. Mr. Rumple will improve the prop-Attorney General Jackson, recency award methods and the is strange what a passion for statistics bought two lots on Hill street from Mr. Sharpe for \$800 and will build

There is a widespread belief in New York that Mr. McClellan was not 209 people died. The total deaths eration being \$1,100. He has also

NOTES AND NUMBERS

THE BROKEN SONG.

Sometimes intent, with rapt and listening ear

entitled to a recount and that if May- of birds and sobbing of the homeless

volce smash the movement for this recount. Of human life and striving, shadow

forth Imperfectly-a splendor and a truth Beyond their range. My heaven-self re-

volts any reason for doubting that a fair When, in a moment born for one to

soar, hat music stills; bereft. I feel the pang O'erwhelming, I am not God's master-

his light against a recount. In fact, Mayor McClellan occupies small place Shaped in His image, breathed upon by

Him. Yet I may not the finished majesty Of His own being know; but ever-when The song is surest and the vision points Beyond, above, into the boundless sweep Of wonder and of goodness--down the

lyre

remain!

will gain little, for after splitting off beats in upon me, and the sickening Jack Harwood was a bad one, tall,

Whereby I was transported.

Yet, O God. In Thy appointed time, when life is ripa To be of Death's lips caten that, new Life May blossom and mature, when indeed

These mortal vestments leave me, yea,

Of harshness and of feallty, I hope My blindness and my deafness shall

transmute, sel for the mayor announced that And mine 'twill be to walk and talk

> Till which time, O Lord. Preserve in me the memory

of the That, breaking, left me; in my breast ' ignited candle of Thy truth, trimmed un-

THE STAR AND THE SEA. In loving communion walk with the night, Where star-hearts are pulsing In coaseless delight, And melody ripples Surpassingly bright. I launch on the ocean

And linger, at rest. On the wild, throbbing motion Of her billowy breast. Espousing forever Her foam-flashing crost.

But the star of my life Is the sea of my love, Where bilm and all tragrance In 'melody move, And ever my funcies

The first carload of meded prunes a shipped the other day from Seinas. San Joaquin Valley, to Boston. It expected that freeing the Californ prune of the pit will add grassily to penularity. A matchine has been p feeted that seeds prines cheaply. To result is that prunes may be put ap there a like resistance and encreal 2. -GARLAND GREEVER.

NOTES OF FOREIGN LIFE.

A system allowing the public to em-ploy post offices for current banking ac-counts and to give checks on the post office in the same manner as on ordinary anks, is under the consideration of the Italian government.

On Dec. 29 the Londoners had had sun-shine for less than on hour in a week, and then it was of the pale, watery Lon-don variety. The Cockneys fell aggrieved, for their normal allowance shine in December is a total of 13 hours, The Rev. Dr. Manning, vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Leytonstone, England, printed the other day in the church magpreached, remarking: "I print this ser-mon because I hear it was very much disliked, and therefore probably did some good" good

An order has been received at the mili-tary hospital at Aldershot from the British War Office directing that in future, in cases where a stimulant is ne-cessary, medical officers are to prescribe whiskey instead of brandy. The doctors whiskey instead of brandy. The doctors are all protesting at this latest stroke of economy, as they say that whiskey. In useless from a medical standpoint and no substitute for brandy.

ARIZONA'S "UNWRITTEN LAW."

W. F. K., in New York American,

of words unlovely and of deeds unsweet Proclaim illusive all the air-winged hope Whereby I was transported.

The fighting men of Tuscon knew his record all too well. And when his horse loved into town a

deathlike silence fell. Once, in the town of Tombsione, not many years ago, He shot two faro dealers and four

Greasers in a row; And once, at Twin Buttes mining camp,

when things were breaking wrong. Three gun men bit the sawdust, never-more to hear the gong.

Jack wasn't altogether bad, so his con-

His better nature showed at times-

His better nature showed at times-when he was in his bed And so, for fifteen years or more, his fortunes seemed to thrive, By reason (for the most part) of his lightning forty-five. When Phoenix Phil, the gambler, grab-bud an new off Harwood's knew.

The trial was short and sudden-no at-torney used his jaw-Jack standing pat, for his defense, on "The Unwritten Law." This was the olea he uttered, and his words cut like a kulfe: "I stole that bronche from a man that tried to steal my wife"

Next morning Jack was swinging from a little tree's green cress-And this is how "The Unwritten Law" made its debut out West.

stituents said;