

of the earth, but didn't, because this same earth of ours happened to be next his way when he came down and by. Next was the AGE OF WATER. When the order came: "Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place." A fit representative of this age was Neptune, who aided Jove "with his auxiliary waters" to destroy the world by a deluge. He came in his chariot, drawn by four sea horses.

Lord of Misrule, was a bearded warrior with a ruddy helmet on his head. In his left hand he carried a skull and in his right a sword. Following him came two men and four women, grouped around the door-way of a stone hut. After the age in which the first men lived, came the time when God made man "in His own image." This was the BRONZE AGE.

distressed damsels in that time—and fought the man who was responsible for the circumstance, etc., which occasioned the distress, and always whipped him. The time when minstrels sang the praises of the knights who didn't get whipped and ridiculed those who did, who couldn't object, for the fights in this "good old time" always ended in favor of the other of the combatants being made a subject for a coroner's jury, something, by the way, the people of that age knew nothing of.

INSURANCE. MECHANICS AND TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY. No. 14 Carondelet Street. SIXTH ANNUAL STATEMENT. NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 29, 1875. In compliance with article 12 of the Charter, this company makes the following statement of its business for the year ending 31st August, 1875:

CHARTER. STATE OF LOUISIANA. PARISH OF ORLEANS, CITY OF NEW ORLEANS. BE IT KNOWN, That on this twenty-ninth day of the month of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and of the United States of America the nine, and of the State of Louisiana the thirty-ninth.

not to impair its usefulness to the public necessarily; or if temporarily impaired in and during the construction of the said railroad, at any said company shall restore the same to its former state, or to such a state that its usefulness and convenience to the public shall not be unnecessarily impaired or injured, and the said company shall not be required to construct a draw in any bridge over and across any stream or bayou, except streams navigable by enrolled and licensed vessels, and when required by law, Seventh—To obtain by grant or otherwise, from any parish, city or village within this State, any rights, privileges or franchises that any of said parishes, cities or villages, may choose to grant in reference to the construction, maintenance, management and use of the railroads of said company, in a depot, cars, locomotives and its business, within the limits of such or any of said parishes, cities and villages.

THE AGE OF GOLD. "The waters fell to be inhabited by the smooth fishes, the earth received the beasts and the fowling air the birds." What more fitting time to typify this age than the figure of Dedalion, he who, with his wife, as related by Ovid in his metamorphoses, re-peopled the earth after the deluge by casting stones behind them.

THE PRESENT AGE. The age of all the ages. This is the age of gold and silver, for gold and silver now govern the world. It is the age of bronze, for with bronze we can do more than the ancients ever dreamed of.

ASSETS. Bills receivable for premiums and annuities on pledge. 265,365 24. Cash. 35,649 23. Premiums in course of collection. 14,027 72. Invested in bank, insurance and other stocks, bonds, etc. 1,367,709 20.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Sec. 1. The corporate powers of this Company shall be vested in a Board of Directors composed of five stockholders to be elected in accordance with the by-laws of the Company, and such officers and agents as may from time to time be appointed by such board.

ARTICLE VI. LIQUIDATION. This corporation may be dissolved at a general meeting convened for that purpose with the assent of three-fourths of the stock of the company and two-thirds of the stock represented at such meeting, and in case of such dissolution the liquidation shall be conducted by three commissioners elected by ballot at such meeting.

THE AGE OF IRON. "The trees selected for the piles during the stone age, from three to six inches in diameter, were felled by stone axes, and the end to be driven into the ground was sharpened by burning."

THE AGE OF BRASS. "The age of brass, a fierce in disposition and more prone to horrible warfare."

TRUSTEES. E. A. PALFREY, President. THOS. F. WALKER, Secretary. MOSES GREENWOOD, Vice President.

ARTICLE VII. GENERAL POWERS. The said company is empowered and authorized: First—To locate, construct, lease, own and use a road with one or more tracks, and suitable turnouts, of such gauge and construction and upon such a course or route as may be deemed by a majority of the Directors of said company most expedient.

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