

THE AGE.

[Translated from the French of Victor Hugo.]
 Great and strong is this age, a noble instinct
 its guide;
 On each hand we see march to fulfillment The
 Thought;
 And the sound of man's voice, with his labor
 allied,
 Into unison with the great world-tone is
 brought.
 Everywhere, in the city and wilderness lone,
 To the milk that we fed him on, man is still
 true;
 As the sculptors' hand fashions some huge,
 shapeless stone,
 Dreaming thought into nations the dull crowds
 doth hew.
 The old scaffold is crumbling; the Greve
 cleansed of blood;
 Revolt is asleep; better days are at hand;
 The wrath of the people, like a hot lava flood,
 Though at first it lay waste, enriches the land.
 God's hand on them laid hath great bards set
 apart,
 From their thought-informed brows they ray
 splendor divine;
 And poetic souls in the green valleys of Art
 Drink deep as by consecrate streams they re-
 cline.
 Stone by stone, as he thinks of manners time-
 killed,
 'Neath an order that totters to every wind's
 rage,
 These two holy pillars doth the Thinker re-
 build,
 Affection for childhood and reverence for age.
 Duty, Son of the Right, his dwelling hath made
 Beneath our roof-tree, a guest grave and high;
 The beggars, in groups 'neath the vestibule's
 shade,
 Have less hate in their heart, less fire in their
 eye.
 Fast against the stern Truth doors no longer
 are made;
 Each riddle is read; and,—as daily it learns
 The secret of things,—our spirit dismayed
 In the universe meanings un-thought-of
 discerns.
 From earth vanish the fire and the fiery fume,—
 The while, O ye bards, ye dream of the day!—
 With the weight all-oppressive of the olden-
 time gloom,
 Which beneath clumsy axles ground to powder
 the way.
 Blind matter man makes his obedient thrall;
 He thinks, searches, creates! The breath of
 his life
 Makes life-seeds to tremble, wide-strewn
 through the All,
 As shudders a wood when the tempest is rife.
 Yes; all marches and grows; each swift hour
 in its flight
 Makes its mark; of a great age the rising we
 see;
 And man, gazing afar from the banks sunny-
 bright,
 Beholds his future enlarge, like a river set free.
 Hastings, Neb. JNO. POWER.

THE ROUBIDOU FAMILY.

Noting in today's CONSERVATIVE an
 inquiry from "A. T. R." concerning a
 family named "Roubidou" I beg to say
 that, many years ago, there settled near
 Rulo, Neb., a man named Roubideaux,
 formerly a trapper and trader among
 the Indians. He married a half or quar-
 ter breed Indian girl, the daughter of
 Charles Ruleau, sr., (commonly spelled
 Rulo, for whom the town of Rulo, Neb.
 was named), settled on Indian land, and
 lived thereon until the time of his death,
 the date of which I do not know. I
 understand that he at one time made
 his headquarters at St. Joseph, Mo., and
 that relatives of his were still living
 there a few years ago. His widow, with
 some of his children, are living on the
 old homestead near Rulo, and inquiry
 made of them would doubtless bring the
 desired information. If, however, "A.
 T. R." is particularly desirous of obtain-
 ing this information, and can convenient-
 ly do so, would suggest that he go to
 Rulo in person, and interview these
 people instead of writing. If he can ob-
 tain an interview with Miss Sadie Rou-
 bideaux, think he will obtain any infor-
 mation she can give.

PEARL MARIAN RULEAU.
 Omaha, Neb., March 14, 1901.

GOOD MAN TO HOLD.

It is greatly to the president's credit
 that he has stood by his commissioner
 of pensions, Hon. Henry Clay Evans of
 Tennessee, throughout the protracted
 and malignant attack made by the claim
 attorneys and others upon that faithful
 public servant.
 Mr. Evans is one of the best com-
 missioners that ever held the office. His
 management of the bureau has been a
 model of intelligent fairness and scrupu-
 lous rectitude. He has told the truth
 and has done his duty. He has provoked
 hostility in quarters where enthu-
 siastic approbation could have been
 won only at the expense of public in-
 terests and of the good fame of Mr. Mc-
 Kinley's administration.
 The pension claim agents find it to
 their advantage to spread the idea that
 a commissioner who does his duty, ad-
 ministers the laws justly, but rigorously,
 and does what he can to protect the
 treasury and prevent looting, is an
 "enemy of the old soldier."—New York
 Sun.

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION — JONES
 GRAIN COMPANY.

To WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN: Notice
 is hereby given that the undersigned, E. C.
 Jones, A. B. Wilson and M. J. Beausang,
 of Nebraska City, Nebraska, have associated
 themselves together and formed a corporation
 under the general corporation laws of the
 state of Nebraska.
 First. The name of said corporation is the
 Jones Grain Company.
 Second. The principal place of transacting
 the business of said corporation is Nebraska
 City, Otoe county, Nebraska.
 Third. The general nature of the business
 to be transacted by said corporation is the
 buying and selling of grain, live stock and
 coal, and whatever is incident thereto or in
 any wise connected therewith.
 Fourth. The amount of the capital stock of
 said corporation, authorized, is twenty-five
 thousand dollars, which is to be paid in at such
 time and in such amounts as may be required
 by the board of directors.
 Fifth. The time of the commencement of
 said corporation shall be April 1, 1901, and its
 termination April 1, 1951.
 Sixth. The highest amount of indebtedness
 or liability to which said corporation shall at
 any time subject itself is two-thirds of the
 amount of its capital stock actually paid in.
 Seventh. The affairs of said corporation are
 to be conducted by a board of three directors
 and under said board by a president, vice-
 president, secretary and treasurer.

E. C. JONES,
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 Nebraska City, Neb., March 18, 1901.

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