

signed the writing and the decree. Then these men assembled and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God. Then these men went and made complaint to King Darius, that his authority was despised by Daniel ; whereon the king commanded that he be cast into the den of lions.

We would also, by way of proposition, place this law as prefiguring the prohibitory law, now sought by the obtaining of a plebiscite vote. We do this in order to ascertain if the men who flattered King Darius into assuming an authority over man's conscience are a prototype of the present advocates of prohibition ; and the den of lions a symbol of a semi-civilized, officialism this law would create, who might prowl after the steps of any honorable citizen who might excite their jealousy.