Lying nestled in a beautiful valley among the foothills, is Denver, the capital of the State, the geographical, railroad, financial, commercial, smelting, manufacturing, educational and social centre and "general hub," not only of Colorado, but also of the entire Trans-Missouri country.

In 1859 Denver was a frontier set-

tlement, in 1870 it claimed a population of 4,731, and today it boasts of having within its limits 150,000 citizens. Its streets are paved with asphalt, and running out from the business portion of the city 140 miles of electric and cable cars diverge in all directions. The buildings, both public and private, are beautiful.



COLORADO STATE CAPITAL.

To the visitor, Denver and the surrounding country offer much that is intensely interesting and instructive. The educational institutions, (colleges, university and collegiate institutes), the library, state museum and public parks, are well worth careful inspection.

Seventy-five miles south of the capi-

tal lies the beautiful city of Colorado Springs. Five miles to the west of this city, situated at the very base of the mountains, and just beyond the famous "Garden of the Gods," and well within the shadow of "Pike's Peak," lies the picturesque town of Manitou, the "Saratoga of the West."