

ment of Mr. T. C. Gabbitt. The road runs through some of the wildest scenery in America, and is certainly one of the triumphs of engineering science. Its construction has cost the City of Cincinnati alone some \$13,000,000. The High Bridge over the Cumberland River is said to be the highest trestle in the world, being over 160 feet above the bed of the river, and certainly demonstrates to what perfection iron bridge building can be brought, for in crossing the feeling of the traveller is that he is gliding through mid-air, and is really without "visible means of support." It was stated that should the passenger drop a rock or piece of coal, whilst the cars were in the centre of the Bridge, the train would arrive at the other side before the missile struck the water. Of course there were plenty of experimenters, but results were unsatisfactory.

Arriving at Lexington, the Capital of Kentucky, sampling the white wine of the country, its famous sour mash, it was but a short trip to the "Falls City," Louisville, prettily situated on the banks of the Ohio, about 120 miles southwest from Cincinnati, thence through the fertile States of Indiana and Illinois, to the future great metropolis of the West, St. Louis. This city lies in N. lat. $28^{\circ} 37'$, and long. west (from Greenwich) $90^{\circ} 16'$; distant from New York City 1,050 miles. Is the chief port and business centre of the State of Missouri, which State lies between 30° and $40^{\circ} 30'$ N. lat. and $11^{\circ} 45'$ and $18^{\circ} 50'$ W. long. (from Washington), and is most prolific in its production of woods and minerals, lead, iron, copper and coal mines being actively worked, and contributing much to the wealth of the State. The taxable property alone, not including the City of St. Louis, is estimated at \$500,000,000, and the yield of wheat some \$45,000,000 bushels. Its elevation above