

The New York *Tribune* says : "The telegraph wires bend under their weight of woe ; the old earth quivers with throbs of agony from the centre to the pole ; cities are shaken down, countries are engulfed ; fair domains are overflowed with red-hot lava ; wife is arrayed against husband, mother against child, son against father."

The pious Robert Pollok, author of "Course of Time," many years ago clearly foresaw the times in which we live, and thus graphically describes them :

"Meanwhile the Earth increased in wickedness,  
And hasted daily to fill up her cup.  
Satan raged loose, Sin had her will, and Death  
Enough. Blood trod upon the heels of blood ;  
Revenge, in desperate mood, at midnight met  
Revenge ; war brayed to war ; deceit deceived  
Deceit ; lie cheated lie ; and treachery  
Mined under treachery ; and perjury  
Swore back on perjury ; and blasphemy  
Arose with hideous blasphemy ; and curse  
Loud answered curse ; and drunkard, stumbling, fell  
O'er drunkard fallen ; and husband husband met,  
Returning each from other's bed defiled ;  
Thief stole from thief ; and robber on the way  
Knocked robber down ; and lewdness, violence,  
And hate met lewdness, violence, and hate.  
O Earth ! thy hour was come."

Rev. D. I. Taylor says : "Ours too is an age of gigantic thefts. The enormous scale on which this crime proceeds, has no parallel in the past. Somebody stole a million of dollars from the exchequer of Russia. Then Kentucky was robbed of some two millions by state officials, and