ment. A remedy might possibly be the introduction of a special provision allowing the plaintiff in a foreclosure or sale action to include a claim for possession of the mortgaged property, notwithstanding the fact that the value thereof might exceed \$500. As a matter of fact it will be found that in the great majority of cases of mortgages under \$500 the value of the land which forms the security very much exceeds that figure.

## AERIAL NAVIGATION AND THE LAW WHICH SHOULD GOVERN IT.

The airship, or flying machine—though we get no inkling there of the pattern which the experimenters chose—if the sublime narrative in "Paradise Lost" of the conflict between the celestial hosts and the troops of the fallen angel is to be relied on, must have been of pre-creation origin. And it should be interesting to mark what the sacred poet (his mouthpiece being the Angel Raphael) who tells our first parents in the garden the story of that stupendous warfare, when speaking of the Omnipotent's forces, writes: "For high above the ground their march was, and the passive air upbore their nimble tread." Continuing, he says: "High in the air, exalted as a god, the apostate in his sun-bright chariot sat." His account depicts how the needful engines for maintaining the strife were supported in the air, while, at the same time, dexterously guided through it by those charged with their management. Neither can it be out of place, in dwelling on the grand spectacles which the mind here passes in review, to recall the extravagant fancy Milton has evoked when he ascribes to Lucifer the invention of cannon, more particularly as this grim agent of destruction by its ponderousness would notably detract from the buoyancy required in aerial navigation.

That fellow-bard, Homer, in whom likewise the inner sight was accentuated by reason of the physical sense being lost, frequently, we know, presses into service, to expedite movement by his partizan gods and goddesses at the siege of Troy, vehicles suitably adapted, more or less, for cleaving the empyrean.