AUTHOR OF "AMERICA."

He Tells How He Came to Write the Famous Hymn.

Its Success Surprised Him-Dr. Samuel Francis Smith and His Busy Life-A Man of Very Broad Culture.

Dr. Samuel Francis Smith, the auther of one of the most inspiring national hymns in the world, "My Country, "Tis of Thee." told a Boston reporter who visited him recently on the occasion of his eighty-fifth birthday how the famous hymn came to be writ-

In 1832 William C. Woodbridge, a friend of Dr. Smith's, who had been visiting Germany and the German schools, brought home with him a lot of German music books. Mr. Woodbridge gave the books to Lowell Mnson, then the conservator of all church music in Boston, and Mr. Mason being unable to rend German turned them over to Dr. Smith and said he would like to have a pactical translation of anything Dr. Smith saw in the book and liked. Turning over the leaves of the books one gloomy day in Fohm mry, "SEL" said Dr. Smith, "I came across the air God Save the King." liked the music. I glanced at the German words at the foot of the page. 'America' was the result. It was written on a serap of paper I picked up from the table, and the hymn of to-

Dr. Smith still has the original draft of the poem. He has been arged many tomes to give it up. They would like to have it in Washington for preservation, and it would, of course, be prized and safely cared for in Boston, but he has thus far declined to part with h Dr Smith made a copy of it for ! Lothrop & Co., the Baston publishers and this copy was in their ashibit at the world's fair. The paper on whiel the poem was originally written is yel low with age, but the writing is perfeetly legible. The paper is about six



inches long by three inches wide, and has only three erasures in the page On the back are some stray lines, the remnants of some translation from a German work. When it became "the national bymn"

is not known. It was never adopted as such formally and officially by the government, but it seems to have been adopted by the people, and for more than sixty years in school and church. and in nearly every patriotic gathering, the singing of "My Country, "Tis of Thee," has aroused the people in patriotism as no other hymn has been able to do.

It matters not whether the hymn has been "officially" sanctioned by the government, says the Boston Traveller. It has been taken to the hearts of the people-they love it for its sentiment and for its melody-and they will continue, as long as time shall endure, to sing the poetic prayer of their own

many of its members became prominent in the various walks of public life. Among "the boys" who became iver Wendell Hoimes; the late Judges Benjamin R. Curtis, of the United "famous men" may be mentioned Ol-States supreme court, and George T. Bigelow, chief justice of Massachusetts; William II. Channing, nephew of the celebrated W. E. Channing and father-in-law of Edwin Arnold, the poet, Rev. James Freeman Clarke; Judge Ward, of Salem; Chandler Robbins: Benjamin Pierce, the astronomer; Samuel May, the reformer; George W Phillips, brother of Wendell Phillips; E. D. Sohier and others. Among his college friends were Charles Sumner, '36; John Lothrop Motley and Wendell Phillips, '31. Josiah Quincy was president during the last year Mr.

Smith spent at Harvard. "America" is not the only hymn Dr. Smith has written. The hymnbooks of all Christian denominations contain many of his productions. "The Psalmst." a book used by the Baptists for thirty years, contains nearly thirty of his compositions. His best missionary hymn, "The Morning Light Is Breaking." has been translated into many

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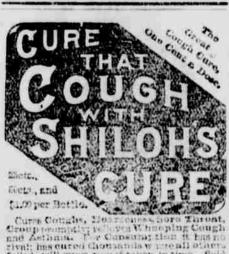
MISSES EDITE M. KEINSTON and Car rie L. Hodson, who arrived in Boston a few days ago, are newspaper women who spent the summer riding through the British isles on bicycles.

HENRY FAIRFAX, of Loudoun county is the richest member of the Virginia senate. He is a brother-in-law of Capt. Charles G. Ayres, U. S. A., now in charge of the recruiting office at Lynchburg

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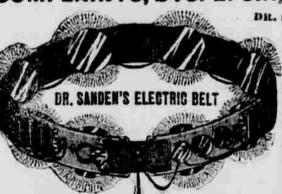
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