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INDUSTRY: Habitual diligence in any employment or task, whether bodily or mental.—*The Century Dictionary.*

Of all the things which man can do or make here below, by far the most momentous, wonderful and worthy are the things we call books.—*Thomas Carlyle.*

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THOMAS E. MILCHRIST, appointed United States district attorney for the Northern District of Illinois by President Harrison, is a native of the Isle of Man, his birth occurring in 1839. When eight years of age he came to America with his parents, who settled at Peoria, Ill., and in that county attended school and worked on a farm until the War of the Rebellion had been inaugurated. By this time the love for his adopted country had become so firmly established in his heart that he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Twelfth Illinois Volunteers, and served until his final discharge in September, 1865, with the rank of captain. Following his retirement from the army he read law in the office of John I. Bennett, then of Galena, afterward master in chancery in the United States Court at Chicago. He was admitted to practice in April, 1867, and for a number of years was State's attorney in Henry County, this State. In 1888 he was a delegate to the Republican National Convention. For some years he has been one of the most active lawyers of the Chicago bar.