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THE STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM AT SEA

This Country May Re-establish the Principle for Which the Dutch Republic Fought Great Britain in Four Terrific Naval Wars.

By DR. HENDRICK WILLIAM VAN LOON (By Special Arrangement with the Boston Transcript)

ON THE 29th day of May, three centuries ago tomorrow, Marten Harpertzoon Tromp, Lieutenant Admiral of the Republic of the United Seven Netherlands...

Upon this particular occasion, Admiral Tromp, to avoid all possible misunderstanding, struck all his sails (except the topmalls) when he came near the British fleet...

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NOT Destructive From the Cleveland Fish Dealer. Now that Austria has placed an order for 3000 wooden legs, those articles will be silenced who complain that foreign Powers buy nothing from us but means of destruction.

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There is one instrument through which this can be and must be done. It is the Republican party. That party saved the Union. It faces now the new duty of seeing that America's mission in the world is backed by adequate might and power.

Let us have done with the false theories which have led England into the morass. We have the most valuable assets, material and spiritual, in the world to protect. To leave them unprotected is neither statesmanship nor humanitarianism.

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A VISIT TO LEO FRANK IN JAIL

How the Prisoner Looks, Acts and Talks as He Waits in His Cell, for What?—Whether He Is Innocent or Guilty, His Is a Stoical Attitude.

By WILLIAM RADER Special Correspondent of the Evening Ledger

HE REMINDED me of Theodore Durrant, the San Francisco boy who committed 'the crime of the century'—this young, cheerful but nervous Leo Frank, about whom so much has been written and who has been sentenced four times to death.

A Hospitable Welcome Leo Frank expresses this feeling of open-hearted hospitable welcome. He greets you as a hotel clerk welcomes the guest. While you do not register your name, he is careful to get it just right and spells it audibly.

The Case Not Yet Closed Another factor is projecting itself, namely, the nation-wide opposition to capital punishment. The new punishment theory now under consideration will probably save him from death.

A LETTER OF THANKS Sir—I cannot tell you how much I thank you and the EVENING LEDGER for the news in the Italian language which your newspaper is giving the non-English-speaking Italians in the city of Pottsville, and I wish that this will continue at the time.

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ceived this power that they can dominate a country like ours? Or is it due to lethargy on our part toward ships and shipping?

PERHAPS From the New York World. Prof. Eugene Kuhnemann, of the University of Breslau, is authority for the statement that the sinking of the Lusitania 'has ended the prestige of the British navy forever.'

ONE OF TOM MOORE'S POEMS Today is the Anniversary of the Birth of the Famous Irish Poet.

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