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freight traffic. The consumer paid and he will pay here. The desirable state is that in which the consumer, granting the income of vested rights and the pay due to initiative, pays only as much more as the laborer receives.

VICE PRESIDENT SHOULD BE SECRETARY OF STATE

The Vice President should by virtue of his office be Secretary of State and relieved of the routine functions which now damn the office and limit its occupants to men of mediocre talents.

SO THAT'S ALL PREPAREDNESS MEANS?

WE DO hope one of the first moves of our Candidate will be to pull Charles Evans, Jr., away from that trifling camp up at Plattsburg. Haven't you heard what they're doing up there? Neither had we until H. H. V. called our attention to this Plattsburg dispatch in a morning contemporary.

WHAT IS YOUR SWORD OF DAMOCLES?

Mine is that I'll be offered a job in City Hall—if I can make good—and that the first thing I'll be asked to do will be to introduce to the Marriage License Clerk loving couples like these, taken from last Thursday's paper: Carmela Perocci and Gianbattista Foscaroni.

WHY ENGLAND WAITS

AS EACH day brings the tremendous onset of the Russian closer and closer to the proportions of a decisive advance, the pressure upon England to do her share becomes stronger.

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MEXICAN EXPEDIENTS

The disappearance of small metallic currency in Mexico, owing to the amount of paper money put into circulation during the military struggle for the presidency, has been reported.

Tom Daly's Column

BALLADE OF THE MERCHANT MARINE In the days when the nation was young, And our glorious prime was before us, To the breeze were our battle flags flung, And with honor and credit we bore us.

When our rights from the tyrant were wrong, Every hand once against us was for us, And we stood the World Powers among, For they could not gainsay or ignore us.

It was ours, and its vestiges cling Till the War of Rebellion outcure us. Our misfortune was sweet to the tongue Of the Lion, the first who forswore us.

Why, We Never Even Suspected It. Sir—Do you know that George F. Pilling Jr. is a abolitionist of 4844 Chestnut street? He is now at Dr. Charles H. P. Slaughter, 1602 South Broad street.

ANGLO-AMERICAN HYPHENATES

To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—I have just returned from a hunting trip. I was hunting for books in the Free Library of Philadelphia, and I bagged considerable game.

IS AMERICA A LIAR?

To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—A question now occupying the minds of millions of logical persons is that of Americanism. To explain it in brief we spread over the land the history of Americanism.

GOSSIPY GIUSEPPE

Don't you bayleave! No! don't you bayleave! Does Republican Judge he can speak. Evra time when da Judge see speak cety's make trouble, dat's why he's keepin' bees mouth shut.

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"MAMMA, HE'S BACK SOME MORE YET!"



THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Contempt of English Writers for Things American—The Supreme Court Charged With Usurpation of Its Powers. Other Matters.

What Do You Know?

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FISKE'S FIGHT WITH DANIELS

The Admiral, Who Retires Today, Called Attention to the Secretary's Incompetence

BRADLEY A. FISKE

BRADLEY A. FISKE, rear admiral, U. S. N., having arrived at the age of 62 years today, enters on the retired list. He has probably done more for his country in the last six months than in all his previous years of his service.

Twenty-three years ago he had achieved such distinction for the number and importance of his electrical inventions that the Franklin Institute awarded to him the Elliott Cresson Medal. He was a member of the first electrical conference in this city in 1884.

Admiral Fiske has been more than a mechanic and electrician. He served on the Yorktown at Valparaiso during the critical times when Robley D. Evans uttered his famous remark about making hell smell of garlic.

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THE ETERNAL QUEST

Political conventions are important war news in interesting and important news. The public sentiment in favor of preparedness on the sea without which there can be no adequate national defense.