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A war with England, that he thinks, is wholly out of the question. "England," says he, "couldn't afford it. If our ports were blockaded there would be bread riots in the British isles in about two weeks. They are dependent upon us for their cereals. The United States is the only country that in case of war could depend upon her own resources."

For a naval officer these opinions are certainly moderate. A true Jack tar is always more or less bellicose. It is his trade and the instinct evolves naturally from his surroundings. But it is gratifying to have such eminent assurance that if war by any freak of destiny should come, we would not be utterly unprepared for it.

In a series of comments upon phases of the Lattimer incident the Harrisburg Patriot expresses the opinion that the posse comitatus, or force of sheriff's deputies called out by an emergency in law enforcement, should not be collected by impressment, but should be composed of volunteers. Volunteers would unquestionably be preferable if they could be obtained.

For a Greater Scranton. The Scranton Tribune, having as a part of its policy the furthering of the business interests of Scranton, and recognizing that Scranton possesses all the elements to make one of the great commercial and manufacturing cities in the country, proposes by co-operating with newspapers in tributary cities and towns, to advertise in a novel way this community's healthy business condition.

The Tribune expects within a short time to publish a special illustrated edition of Scranton and her enterprises, devoted to the manufacturing, jobbing, financial and railroad interests of this city, together with a comprehensive exhibit of leading firms. As a city's importance is judged by the extent of its business interests, it was deemed essential that this exhibit should be complete, so that our neighbors might be convinced that all their wants could be supplied here, and so that all worthy and active firms might participate in the benefits sure to result from the bringing of new business to this city.

The Age of Reason. That W. J. Bryan is a more pleasing platform orator than Mark Hanna probably will nowhere be denied. Yet it is an interesting fact that during the recent campaign he lost votes for his party wherever the latter spoke he gained them.

An Admiral on War. It is cruel in Admiral Jouett to give pointers to Spain as he does in the following portion of a printed interview: "You can only send a ship eight miles out at sea, and therefore a man-of-war twelve miles away from the harbor and beyond the vision of the gunners in the forts could leisurely throw its shot and shell into New York and be perfectly safe itself."

Mr. Hanna was an unknown man to the masses of the party in many sections of the state, and it had been his purpose to maintain his attitude as a business man and not to go on the stump, but as the campaign went on, at the earnest suggestion of friends, who believed they saw in him a person abundantly able to take care of himself, he was induced to go on the stump.

By the popular vote of the people, and here Democratic intrigue, Republican treachery, and Democratic money combined in an effort greater than I have ever witnessed in any local contest since I was a voter. Mark Hanna, I have said, spoke eight times in this district, not over the heads of the whole country, but carried it. He spoke in Jackson, where there was a close and doubtful contest; the Republicans won. He spoke in Adams, where there was a close and doubtful contest, and the Republicans won. He spoke in Ross, where the Democrats most evenly balanced county, and we won. He spoke in Haverhill, which is the most even balanced county, and we won. So you may follow his track all over the state, and everywhere he went Republicanism rose.

A Novel Commemoration. In our country we have, during the last twenty years, had a number of centennial commemorations. The most conspicuous of these were some which had a more immediate significance, still, however, bearing an indirect relation to the growth of the republic. In Europe, on the other hand, celebrations of this character deal with events and persons that largely antedate a century of time.

Yankee Ingenuity In Little Things. From the Philadelphia Record. About a year ago a French officer of engineers was shown through one of the large machine shops in this city, and his attention was called to a great traveling crane, the enormous iron planing machines, the big lathes and other large tools.

AN AGE OF NOVELTY. From the Carbonade Leader. This falls political campaign in Lackawanna county has evolved some new and remarkable methods that would surprise the old campaigners of a quarter century ago if they could be here to watch them.

ADVOCATES STALWARTISM. From the Washington Post. The Post is an advocate of what is called stalwart politics. We believe that the men who lead fights, who assume labor and responsibility of campaign, who give their energies and efforts to the party cause, are the men who should receive the rewards of victory.

HARD WINTER PREDICTED. David Koehnig, of Sugarloaf Valley, who claims that he has made no false predictions as to how the winters would be during the past forty years, was in Hazleton recently. A Sentinel reporter met him and asked him in reference to the coming winter.

UNDERSTANDS HIS BUSINESS. From the Philadelphia Press. After Sagasta has moistened the palms of his hands with the oil of a few press his determination to yank a few copious handfuls of tail feathers out of the American Eagle, he quietly sits down and writes some easy-going piece of jolly drops in the nearest letter box addressed to Washington.

The profits on the sale of meat, but in the saving of parts of the animals that are always thrown away by the ordinary country butcher.

Not long ago a new material was put upon the market (under a meaningless trade name) for use in certain mechanical work. This material was sold at a low price compared with the prices of standard materials commonly used for the same purposes.

It has been held in Washington, D. C., that the trading stamp idea constitutes a violation of law. The law in point is a federal enactment relating to the District of Columbia. But if the illegality be established there a case may arise in any state where merchants employing trading stamps conduct a business through the mails.

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GOLDSMITH'S G. B. BAZAAR. CONFIDENCE IS NOT CONCEIT.

We are confident that we have a stock of reliable, useful merchandise. We are equally confident that it was bought right. WE KNOW that it will be sold right. If you've a need that this store can supply, you can bank upon this fact; It will be supplied fairly and honestly.

Special Sale of Fur Rugs At Prices That Are Simply Unmatchable. The Best Odorless White and Gray Goat Skin Rugs.....\$1.98 Choice Japanese White Angora Rugs..... 2.98 Tiger and Leopard Skin Rugs..... 3.98

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FINLEY'S BLANKETS and COMFORTABLES. For this week we quote the following low prices: Cotton Blankets. 10-4 Columbia Blankets..... 50c 11-4 Silver Queen Blankets..... 75c 11-4 Gloriana Blankets..... 95c 11-4 Arcadia Blankets.....\$1.35

General Blanco will have no use for an OVERCOAT. But many Scrantonians as well as our friends throughout the country will. We are prepared to show the best line of exclusive makes ever shown, ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$45.00

Boyle & Mucklow, 416 LACKAWANNA AVENUE.

Lewis, Reilly & Davies. HENRY BELIN, JR., General Agent for the Wyoming District for DUPONT'S POWDER. HIGH EXPLOSIVES.

Lewis, Reilly & Davies. Harmless Kicks. Full size Comfortables, both sides fancy at 98c, \$1.50, \$2.25, \$2.75, \$3.25. French Satine Down Quilts at \$3.98; special price for this week only.

Thanks-giving Day Will Soon Be Here. We are offering a regular 113-piece Haviland China Dinner Set in five different decorations for \$27.50.

REYNOLDS BROS., HOTEL JERMYN BUILDING. Have the Famous Planetary Pencil Sharpener on exhibition. It is the only Sharpener which never breaks a point and will sharpen four dozen pencils every day for 12 months without any repairing.

THE CLEMONS, FERBER, O'MALLEY CO., 422 Lacka. Ave.

FOOTE & SHEAR CO. 119 Washington Avenue. Paxton Simple Crown } ROASTING PANS Never Break } GRIDLES Soapstone } Enamel Common Tin } PAIRS WE GIVE EXCHANGE STAMPS