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General Miles has stirred up a hornet's nest and all kinds of threats are hurled about his head but he says nothing and says wood. May he continue this prudent policy until he is ready with ample proof.

The Senatorship.
Congressman John Dalzell, one of the Republican leaders in the lower branch of congress and a man whom Pennsylvanians very heartily admire, has announced his candidacy for senator.

A Spanish Trick.
The surrender by the Spaniards to the Philippine insurgents of the city and province of Iloilo after a treaty had been signed ceding this territory to the United States stands out as a conspicuous act of bad faith.

It gives us pleasure to observe that Senator-elect John A. Wentz, of Montgomery county, is a gentleman of exceptional discernment. A recent address before an educational body has thus championed the cause of the daily newspaper in the school.

After much recitation the congressional programme of the anti-expansionists has been fixed. According to William E. Curtis, the Washington correspondent, they will not attempt to prevent the ratification of the peace treaty, but will organize for the purpose of bringing pressure to bear upon congress to defeat what they expect will be the colonial policy of the administration.

A Question for Congress.
Persons fond of figures are asked to study these for the year ended June 30, 1897, which show in some degree the extent to which the people of the United States are dependent on foreign shipping for their sea-borne commerce.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1897, the value of the exports and imports of the United States, and the amount carried by American vessels, by foreign vessels, and the percentage of exports and imports carried by water or which were carried by American and by foreign vessels were as follows:

Exports.
American vessels, \$ 70,941,827
Foreign vessels, 205,994,578
Total, 276,936,405

Imports.
American vessels, \$109,132,454
Foreign vessels, 619,784,255
Total, 728,916,709

Legislation to correct this inequality is now pending in congress. It depends upon congress to say whether we as a nation shall hire the inhabitants of other nations to do our sea shipping or do it ourselves.

NEWS AND COMMENT

The Philadelphia Ledger is out of sorts with Pennsylvania politics but it admits that it contains the surprising compilation about a "boss ridden" neighboring state. "Republicanism in the state of New York is putting its best foot forward."

Prof. J. A. Cooper, former principal of the Edinboro State Normal school, presents the subject of better pay for school teachers from the standpoint of a business calculation. He says: "Unless teachers receive better remuneration they cannot afford to make preparations to become educators."

When lights are lit and evening blazes dance,
And daytime cares forgotten for the nonce,
My husband lights his pipe.

Blank Books
Office and Pocket Diaries
Desk Calendars.

Holiday Goods
That are good all the year around.

G. W. Fritz has the best and largest assortment in his line. All suitable for presents. Among them will be found the following:

Ladies' and Gent's Traveling Cases, Manicure Sets, Writing Cases, Music Rolls, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Pocketbooks, Card Cases, Purses and a host of useful and ornamental goods too numerous to mention.

father of the senate. He printed it in handsome form and sent a copy bound in Russia leather to each of his colleagues and a paper-covered copy to every voter in Vermont. He would have nothing more to say during the rest of the session unless some one died, when he would perhaps pronounce a eulogy.

Since Christmas, says the New York Sun, there have been ten failures reported of concern that made a specialty of people intending to holiday present. Some of those concerns carried large stocks, and were entitled to the designation "big." In one or two instances the stocks were valued at more than \$250,000.

With slippers feet and home-made dressing-gown,
He strides along; oftimes a smile, a frown,
Perchance may cross his face.

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Stand more kicks than any shoes made.

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GOLDSMITH'S G. B. BAZAAR. Our Clearing Sale of Cloaks

It begins at once. No use waiting till the season is about over; no use hugging profits until the demand for cloaks is about ended, and then letting go. But now, right at the very height of winter, when the demand is the greatest, we shall cut the prices on every garment in the stock.

Ready for You When You Read This
Ladies', Misses' and Children's Jackets, were \$3.98, now \$1.98.
Ladies', Misses' and Children's Jackets; were \$4.98, now \$2.98.



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LEWIS, REILLY & DAVIES, 114 AND 116 WYOMING AVENUE.

ODD LAMPS Diaries
For 1899
This is a chance to get a good lamp for little money.

Drop Lights
We have made a reduction of 25 per cent. on our line of Drop Lights as we wish to close them out before inventory.

FOOTE & SHEAR CO. 110 WASHINGTON AVE.

ALWAYS BUSY
For Christmas
Hill & Connell, 121 Washington Avenue.

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Reynolds Bros
STATIONERS and ENGRAVERS.

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FINLEY'S Great Winding-Up Sale on Fancy Silks
To make a complete clearance on all lines that have been broken up by our holiday business, we have arranged our entire stock of Fancy Silks into four lines, as sorted as follows:

Assortment 1
All of our Fancy Silks that are suitable for waist, petticoats, dress and coat linings, etc., etc., and worth from 85c to \$1. Now 69c

Assortment 2
Everything in our stock of Fancy Silks worth from \$1.00 to \$140. Now 83c

Assortment 3
All Fancy Silks ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$2.00. Now \$1.00

Assortment 4
A few choice things in Fancy Brocades, etc., mostly in short lengths of from two to six yards each; were \$2.50 to \$3.50. Closing at \$1.25

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