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SCRANTON, SEPTEMBER 19, 1901.

The attitude of the people of this community with regard to the great memorial service tonight in the Armory is one that commends itself to all. It is hoped that the vast auditorium will be filled to overflowing as we feel the national calamity to be a personal affliction.

Earth to Earth.

THAT which shall today be consigned to earth in the sobbing presence of life-long neighbors and friends will be only the perishable part of the nation's dead chief.

The world does well to honor this noble man in death as it was fast learning to reverence him living. In personality, purpose and achievement he truly was one among ten millions.

One rule President Roosevelt may be counted upon to enforce with undeviating impartiality and thoroughness. Those securing appointments from him must be as clean as a hound's tooth.

"Laid in Blood."

IN OLDEN TIMES, and even as late as the past century, the foundation of a building or a city was believed to be insecure unless it should be "laid in blood."

It is said that a famous bridge near Shanghai was built on the bodies of thousands of children, buried alive, that the abutments thus might endure, and there is reason to believe that a certain historic castle on the Rhine would be found to contain in a wall-space beneath a tower, the skeleton of a little innocent child, who was immured alive to insure the security of the stone-work.

Thus is a surprise to most foreign observers and to some home ones, as well. We are not sure that the Frenchmen are not right in objecting to the "muchness" of the Yankee press. The real news in almost any American paper could advantageously be put within one-third the space now consumed in its narration, especially if

sons apparently used as a foundation stone. The cornerstone of the Christian religion was laid in blood, the most precious of the ages. The foundation of our great Republic had its baptism of blood at Lexington and Appomattox, and on the spot where Lincoln gasped in death, it now seems, as we build upward this great structure which within a few months has attained such stupendous proportions, that a cruel and relentless fate demands a periodical sacrifice of our dearest and best at every upward step.

Will it be true in our history, as in the superstitious of pagan times, that the burial of William McKinley bestows our country's foundation-stones makes more stable our institutions, more secure our future rulers? Even so, it is a fearful price to pay.

The Two Proposed Amendments.

THE UNION committee for the promotion of ballot reform in Pennsylvania requests us to call attention to the two proposed amendments to the state constitution upon which the people will be asked to vote in November.

The committee desires us especially to note that neither of these amendments will become immediately effective if favored at the November polls by a majority of the votes cast.

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Bishop Andrews' Funeral Oration

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord, who of His abundant mercy hath begotten us again into a lively hope of the resurrection of Christ from the dead to the inheritance of incorruptible, undimmed, and that fade not away, received in heaven for us who are now, by the power of God, through faith and obedience, ready to be revealed in the last time.

Expert Opinion from Abroad.

RECENTLY a number of distinguished French journalists visited the Pan-American exposition at the guests of the New York Central railroad, and while in this country commented instructively upon American newspapers as viewed from the French standpoint.

M. Jubin, of the Petit Journal, Paris, concurred in what M. Manchez said as to the size of American papers, adding: "The paper I represent has 1,200,000 subscribers, but we should have fewer patrons if in the case of an attack on our country our newspapers were allowed to devote four columns to describing the fortitude of the man's wife, how bravely she received the news and how heroically she bore herself."

All of the visiting journalists admired immensely the enterprise and executive ingenuity shown by the leading American newspapers, but none could understand how the busy people of this country could be content with such a daily mass of news and opinion covering so many printed pages as is customary here.

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that which is news is separated from that which is mere rhetoric or padding. On this point we guess all editors are agreed. Yet experiments innumerable in publishing condensed newspapers have been made in this country and have invariably failed.

No sane man not compelled to do it as a matter of business ever wastes through this deluge of printer's ink; but when he is interested in some particular topic, he expects to see that topic treated as fully as if it were the only thing the editor had to think about, and in the multiplicity of such demands lies the secret of why our papers are steadily growing bulkier.

At this time great care should be exercised in accepting as true reports which credit to some men disparaging words about the martyred president. Among 76,000,000 people there may be a few so lost to decency and shame as to cherish and express ill will against the saintly memory which civilization so profoundly reveres.

The youngest president we have had, prior to Mr. Roosevelt, was General Grant, who at the date of his first inauguration was 47 years of age. Mr. Cleveland, when first inaugurated, was 48; Garfield and Pierce were each 49, and Polk and Fillmore were each 50.

Colonel Funston, the sturdy hero of the Philippines, the victor in many a battle, and the man who captured Aguinaldo, has had many perilous adventures from which he has emerged with his life, but he has never before faced a corps of doctors, eager to perform an operation on him for appendicitis.

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The wage loss of the McKeesport strikers is \$1,000,000. Strikes don't pay.

AN UNIQUE PRODUCTION.

The following is the work of a 14-year-old colored girl, Veneta Taylor, a native of Jamaica, but now employed in the family of E. L. Spencer, of Pleasant Mount.

It was a humble home in which he was born. Narrow conditions were around him, but faith in God had lifted that lowly soul, according to the statement of some great writer, up to the very heavens, and permitted its inmates to behold the things eternal, immortal and divine, and he came under the beautiful thing that to the end of his life he had reverently before that mother whose example and teaching and prayer had so faithfully and so lovingly nurtured him.

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that when great financial difficulties and privations encompassed him he determined to deliver all he possessed to his creditors, that there should be no man in his debt, and that he would be free. A man of immaculate purity, shall we say? No stain was upon his conscience; no syllable of suspicion that I ever heard was whispered against his honor, his integrity, his purity, and noble self-control. Beyond that this man had something of a very happily constructed nature great and generous, and of a very noble heart.

His high qualities drew to him the good will of his associates in political life. In an eminent degree he was beloved for his kindness, his confidence in his honesty and in his honor. His qualities even associated with him in kindly relations those who were his political opponents.

And he was a man who believed in right, who had a profound conviction that the courses of the world were being ordered in accordance with everlasting righteousness, and that his highest part of good will never be reached; that no nation can expect success in the event as it conforms to the eternal laws of the universe.

And now, may I say further that it seemed to me that to whatever we may attribute all the illustriousness of this man, all the greatness of his intellect, all the nobility of his character, all the purity of his motives, all the quality, whatever it is, that we may attribute to the patient and thorough study which he gave to the various questions that upon him for attention, for all his successes as a politician, as a statesman, as a man of this great country, those successes were largely due to the moral qualities of which I have spoken.

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The New Shoe Store.

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They said "The Last of the Mohicans" had sailed away in "Ships That Pass in the Night." They took with them "John Halifax," who was "A King by Right." The ships were fastened to another by "An Endless Chain." "Allan Quatermain" married "The King's Daughter." "Against Heavy Odds," she won "The Barrow Street Diamond," which were "Lady Diana's Pride." They were married on "The Red Star," and "The Minister of Carthage." "Lord Van Court's Daughter," said "Marjorie" was "At War With Heaven," when she "Kidnaped" "The Hired Raby." She set it "Adrift With a Vendetta," but it was "Cast Up by the Sea," and rescued by "The Water Witch," who took it to "Black Hawk," where "The Sticks Minister" cared for it "As Any Gentleman Might."

MEANING OF CERTAIN NAMES.

Alabama in the native tongue signifies "Here we rest." Chili is a Peruvian word denoting "the land of snow." Quebec is an Algonquin term, signifying "take care of the rock."

The term Canada is Indian, indicative of a "collection of lakes." Manitoba traces its origin from Manitou, the Indian appellation of "The Great Spirit." Lake Erie is the lake of the "Wild Cat," the name given to a fierce tribe of Indians exterminated by the troops.

Oregon received its name from the Spanish Oregon, wild marjoram, which grows in abundance on this portion of the Pacific shore. Labrador was originally designated Terra Labrador, the Spanish for "cultivated land, as distinguished from the non-cultivated non-covered ground."

Lake Huron owes its name to the French word here, a head of hair, in reference to the Wyandots, whom the French settlers designated Huron, owing to their profusion of hair.

The Cape of Good Hope, discovered by Bartholomew de Diaz in 1482, was so named (Cabo de Boa Esperanza) by John H. king of Portugal, who, finding that Diaz had reached the extremity of Africa, regarded it as a favorable augury for future maritime enterprises.

Patagonia was so styled by Magellan, in accordance with the Spanish word patagon, meaning a large, clumsy foot. It was from the fact of seeing the impressions of the large shoes (not, as he imagined, the feet) of the aborigines that he at once concluded the country must be inhabited by giants.

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NOTICE Our Shoe Store Will Be Closed All Day Thursday on Account of the Death of Our Beloved President. Lewis & Reilly, 114 & 116 Wyoming Avenue.

Furniture We are now showing the largest assortment of Furniture ever presented to the people of Scranton. Our stock is bigger, our salesrooms large and better arranged than ever before. We will have no trouble in finding just what you want. Our prices are right. We buy our goods in large quantities and our prices are correspondingly low to you.

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