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SCRANTON, MARCH 20, 1902.

On December 28, we editorially and favorably reviewed Walter J. Ballard's article, "Our South American Trade," which appeared in the Protectionist for December.

President Schurman's Mistakes.

WE GIVE space on this page to a statement of opinion by President Schurman, of Cornell University, on the duty of the United States with reference to the Philippines. It is interesting from the fact that its author not only is one of the men whose opinions on any subject are entitled to weight, but also because, as the chairman of the first Philippine commission, he has had exceptional opportunities for forming an accurate opinion in this matter.

It may seem presumptuous to differ in opinion from a man so well qualified as he is to speak with authority on this subject; but we detect what impress us as at least two flaws in Dr. Schurman's line of argument.

The first of these is his statement that the development of American trade with the Philippine archipelago and the improvement of the opportunities of individual Americans in that archipelago do not depend and would not be promoted by American sovereignty.

This, on its face, looks unreasonable. American sovereignty in the Philippines would mean the full protection of every American right there.

This second point of weakness which we view in Dr. Schurman's argument is his endeavor to promise ultimate independence to a people who have not yet laid down their arms.

It is now announced that Russia has a Monroe doctrine that will not allow the United States to collect Miss Stone's ransom money from Turkey.

Value of Applied Science.

A RECENT report to the state department from Stuttgart, Consul Ozum analyzed keenly the causes of Germany's remarkable commercial advance and dropped some hints not without value for the American people.

As a result of this emphasis there are today, he points out, more than 4500 thoroughly trained chemists in German factories, not to speak of 5000 assistants, all continually studying how to improve processes and introduce economies.

The production of dry colors, chemicals, and dyes in Germany shows a corresponding increase in product and in dividend-paying capacity.

Comparing the statistics of the dyeing industry of the year 1874 with those of 1898, it is found that, notwithstanding prices in 1898 were considerably lower than in 1874, the net income in 1874 was 24,000,000 marks, (about \$6,000,000), and in 1898 was 120,000,000 marks, (about \$30,000,000).

The great increase of earning capacity is due largely, says Mr. Ozum, to the constant labor of trained men, who by application of their technical knowledge have so cheapened production that they have succeeded in getting this trade away from the English, who formerly controlled it.

WHAT IS OUR DUTY TO THE FILIPINOS?

By Jacob Gould Schurman, Chairman of the First Philippine Commission. (Copyrighted by the United States Government.)

OUR DUTY to the Filipinos is the most important now confronting the people and government of our beloved republic. It is essential to discern what we ought to do, to be able to thread our course with the more certainty if we note the deductive but forbidden prospects which it passes and leaves behind.

First, then, it is wrong to think of the Filipinos or their inhabitants as the property or possession of any Americans.

In the same way the rice-fields, the sugar estates, the tobacco plantations, the hemp farms, of the Philippine islands are the property of individual Filipinos; and the unoccupied areas, though now controlled by the United States, are the property of the people of the Philippine islands; and, when a central government is established there, this trust will undoubtedly devolve upon it, as the control of the public lands in the United States has been devolved by congress upon the several states of our Union.

Secondly, it is certainly folly, and perhaps it should be called a crime, to attempt to Americanize the Filipinos.

The Americans are mainly of the Anglo-Saxon stock, and our institutions are principally of English origin, and find their well adapted to our needs, and though we think highly of ourselves, more highly than of any other people, it is only common sense to recognize the fact that the Filipinos are not of our race, and that they are not less fundamental, the unadorned or untraveled American may dream that it is his mission to make Americans of the Filipinos.

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And this is as true of the political as of the moral and religious aspect of civilization. Our political institutions are the expression and embodiment of character and ideals of an English-speaking Teutonic community.

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OUR FOREIGN TOUR.

Editor of The Tribune. Sir: American exports, to the number of 1,200, have been ordered for the curia of the Austrian empire after three months' of competition test against several makes of other nations.

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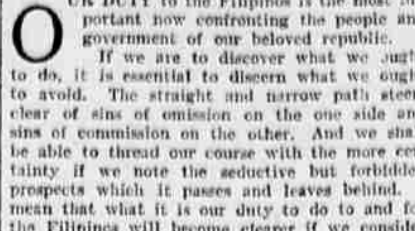
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ALWAYS BUSY.

Pauper Shoes, Easter Slippers, Easter Ornaments, And Charity Ball Shoes and Slippers.



Lewis & Reilly, At 114-116 Wyoming Ave., Where Good Shoes are Sold.

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THE BEST SCHOOL

at which to prepare for teaching or college, to take a thorough course in Vocal or Instrumental Music, or to prepare for a Directorship in a Gymnasium is

THE Literary Institute and State Normal School

AT BLOOMSBURG, PA. No other school offers such superior advantages, at such low rates. It will pay you to write for information.

J. P. WELSH, A. M. P. H. D., PRINCIPAL. BLOOMSBURG, PA.

For Wedding Gifts, Silverware, Cut Glass, Clocks and Fine China

Mercereau & Connell, 132 Wyoming Avenue.

IOWA FARMS \$4 PER ACRE. CASH BALANCE. CROP TITLE. RAILROAD. SCHOOLS.

Meldrum, Scott & Co.

126 Wyoming Ave.

We are one year old Saturday, and while our future a year ago was uncertain, today we know we can walk alone.

Public demands before our own. Sound values for sound money. Unswerving truthfulness in advertising. Careful buying and careful selling, under guidance of a willing, competent sales force.

Easter Neckwear

Because of our success we are offering unusually pretty Easter Neckwear in Chiffons and Silks, Chiffon Boas and Florodora Ties leading; also a new line of Laces, Collars and up-to-date Neckwear. The prices vary with the material.

Easter Gloves

Our "Ireland" Gloves are so well known to Scranton dressers that they need no introduction. A stylish, serviceable, satisfactory glove that pleases every purchaser so well that, once worn, nothing else may be substituted.

FINLEY'S

Rich Imported Lace Robes and Evening Gowns



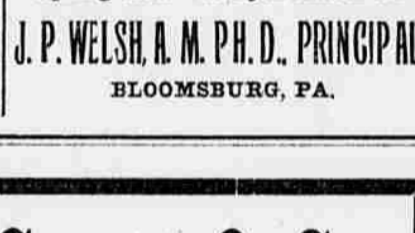
We have brought out an exceptionally fine line of beautiful gauzy Materials and Elegant Lace Robes, just the correct styles for the fascinating evening gown.

Spangled Robes, Spangled Allovers, Rich Lace Robes, Chantilly Lace Net Embroidered Chiffon, Silk Gauze, Point D'Esprit Embroidered Veilings, Embroidered Batist, Crepe de Chine, Silk Grenadines, Silk Louisines, Peau de Cuyne, Crepe de Paris, Moire Silks, Broche Poin'elle Soie.

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Gunster & Forsyth, 253-257 Penn Avenue.