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SCRANTON, DECEMBER 27, 1902.

Now that the streets of the city are located by signs, it might be a good idea for some one to suggest a means of locating the house numbers.

A Just Appeal.

IT IS ANNOUNCED that the Free Hospital for Poor Consumptives will ask the legislature to pass, during the coming term, a bill appropriating \$300,000 for the enlargement and improvement of the sanitarium at White Haven.

Out of this fifty beds for consumptives were maintained in Philadelphia, while 200 beds were kept open in the sanitarium at White Haven.

Those who attended the recent lecture of Dr. Knopf in this city and heard briefly an account of the work of the White Haven institution will approve most heartily the proposition of extensive state aid.

By giving \$300,000 to the Philadelphia Masonic orphanage for girls, William L. Elkins has illustrated how surplus wealth may be used to great advantage.

America Paramount.

THERE HAS recently been concluded at the Columbian university in Washington a notable series of lectures by O. P. Austin, chief of the Federal Bureau of Statistics.

Mr. Austin's first address sketched the international commerce of the world during the last century, which he said had grown from \$1,500,000,000 in 1800 to \$20,000,000,000 in 1900.

The second address traced the growth of the foreign commerce of the United States, from about \$100,000,000 of domestic exports and net imports in 1800 to over \$2,000,000,000 in 1900.

The third address told of the story of the growth of the internal commerce of the United States during the century, which had developed with the growth of the transportation systems.

The fourth lecture, on the commerce of the Atlantic during the century, sketched the great experiments with the steamer, the screw propeller, the steel vessel, and the submarine cable.

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One might suppose, while reading this, that the United States treasury was so deficient in funds that it would be necessary to practice the most rigid

also that the United States is a large consumer of the products of the Orient and a large producer of the manufactures and foodstuffs required in that part of the world.

The sixth and closing address discussed the rapidly growing demand of the temperate zones for tropical productions.

Germany, it seems, is not particular who arbitrates the Venezuelan question after her claims have been paid.

Cuban Reciprocity.

INASMUCH as Cuba can buy machinery in Europe at 10 to 30 per cent, cheaper than in the United States, with lower shipping rates, quicker delivery, and longer terms of payment, it is to our interest to

That in spite of labor troubles Schenck's boom is proved by the holiday issue of the Gazette, comprising twenty pages of eight columns each, and filled to the brim with signs of rushing business.

How Long?

FOR THE past ten years there has been a strong demand on the part of the American people for the further regulation of immigration.

In response to this demand, bills to regulate immigration by an illiteracy test have four times passed the house of representatives and three times the senate.

In the present congress, a bill (H. R. 12199) was passed by the house on May 27, 1902, the illiteracy test having been added to the bill on May 22, by a vote of 86 to 7.

It is wise to let the trade of Cuba slip through our fingers for the want of that measure of reciprocity which our intervention justly entitles Cuba to expect?

The "Szabadsag" (Liberty), the largest and oldest of the Hungarian papers printed in this country, has issued a special holiday number devoted especially to the project of erecting in Budapest a monument to Washington.

Here is a significant extract from a recent report of the American consul at Newcastle, New South Wales: "The attempts of the federal prime minister to promote preferential trade with Great Britain have met with a cold reception by the business men, and all are of the opinion that the federal parliament will make no move in the matter, such a thing being considered inimical to the best interests of the people of Australia."

Raise Their Salaries.

ONE OF the really pathetic passages in the recent annual report of the secretary of war relates to the fact that the conditions of the service as well as its traditions make it difficult for the most frugal officer to make his financial ends meet.

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ending with October, the shipments from Hawaii to the United States amounted in round terms to twenty-one million dollars, and those from Porto Rico to the United States to nearly ten million dollars.

Lead the List in Steel Production

Washington, Dec. 25. A STRIKING evidence of business activity in the United States at the present time is found in a comparison of the production of pig iron in the United States during the calendar year 1902 with that of 1901.

The transfer of the Pearl of the Antilles from Spanish ownership to the control of the American flag was not, during the past year, exerted any injurious effect upon European trade with the island.

AN UNSAFE CELLAR. From the Philadelphia Press. It appears that the water-soaked ballot boxes of the Dunmore precinct in Lackawanna county, involved in the contest of Congressman Conner, of the Tenth district, were placed in a cellar of the residence of the peace, as the law requires. They were stored in the cellar of the justice's residence, and it is evident from a statement in one of the Scranton newspapers that the boxes were filled with water liberally, and it had been run off just before the commissioners appeared to take possession, so that when the boxes were opened there was but little water in them.

APOTHEGMS OF A JUDGE. Apropos of the recent death of Robert Malcolm Kerr, who was for forty-two years judge of the city of London, the London Times quotes a number of witty sayings for which Mr. Kerr was noted, for example: "Never go to law under any consideration whatever. You had much better lose your money than go to law. As a rule, it only puts money into the pockets of the lawyers—the very worst possible way in which money can be spent."

OUR TRADE WITH NEW POSSESSIONS. Special Correspondence. Washington, Dec. 26. THE NON-CONTIGUOUS territory of the United States is supplying a large and growing market to the producers and manufacturers of the United States.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE. Professor Theodore S. Woolsey. That doctrine is based upon the right of self-defense, otherwise it has no reason for being. But how self-defense will be understood by any given administration cannot be foretold. Undoubtedly it has enlarged with time. In final analysis it seems to mean the gradual extinction of European sovereignty and influence in this continent. The real danger is lest the United States should some how be

From the London Times, Nov. 27, 1902. Every British statesman must now be aware of the great importance of maintaining a good understanding with the United States of America. The two countries may be so mutually serviceable, or so mutually mischievous to each other, that the utmost pains should be employed to cultivate not only peace, but to improve every sentiment of kindness and affection.

Mad Mullah doesn't rike the bay Because he bit built that way. Beneath his brown skin there's a flood of very sanguinary blood. Whooping he goes with merry glee To add to John Bull's misery. When times are dull elsewhere for John Old Mum keeps matters moving on. Forth from the bush he pops his head, And let a hundred troops are dead! He rushes over the desert sands With whiskers loose and bloody hands. His wives he numbers by the score And daily keeps on adding more. They charge and drive him back, and then He breaks out somewhere else again. He laughs to scorn the flag they bear; They haunt in vain to find his lair. Year in, year out, he's held at bay, But Mullah's heart is ever gay. From his fiery steed he flies, His ether and yon' death Arrie skies. He battles here and confuses there, And then he cuts loose some other where. A hundred times they've had him caught And looked to see and found him not. What sadder words of tongue or pen Than: "Old Mum's out for good again!" —Chicago Record-Herald.

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