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Political Announcement.
 We are authorized to announce the name of W. M. Botsford of LaPorte Twp. as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

Senator Lodge in his recent speech on the navy and our foreign policy made two remarks which have been criticised. The first was: "The Philippines do not weigh with me in advocating a strong navy. I do not think their possession alters in any degree the amount of navy that is required."

The second remark was: "But what does weigh with me is the fact that the markets of the east are of great importance to this country and of ever growing importance in the trade competition of the world. We must have our share of those markets. For that purpose the integrity of China is an essential and a cardinal point in the policy of the United States."

Both of these observations cross the current of unthinking opinions, but both are right. In both Senator Lodge shows himself the careful student and the sound thinker. It is a superficial and unreflecting but common view which assumes that the possession of the Philippines compels a larger navy than we would require without them. The theory is that their distance and exposed position would make them the easy prey of an enemy in war and that a large navy is necessary for their defense.

The defect of this theory is that it postulates the inevitable loss of the Philippines on their possible temporary occupation. If we were engaged in war they might or might not be occupied by the enemy. The enemy might or might not have more naval power at that point than we had. In the end it would make no difference. The result as to the Philippines would depend on the general result of the war. To secure and hold those islands the enemy would have to whip us in our own immediate waters and on our own ground. In the war with Spain we occupied only Manila. We came into possession of the whole archipelago because we completely defeated Spain and were able to dictate our own terms.

Senator Lodge is equally right in what he says as to China. A passive policy would hold the Philippines. Only an active policy will maintain what we want in China. It was only the active policy of 1900 with what just preceded and what followed that gave us our footing there. We want a full equal commercial opportunity in the great markets of the east. The open door and an integral China are vital to it. The partition of China, with its several segments falling under the exclusive control of rival commercial powers, would shut us out. Hence the integrity of China is an essential and cardinal point in the policy of the United States," and Senator Lodge is absolutely right when he says so.

Senator Lodge's critics misconceive both him and the policy. Their mistake lies in supposing that the policy requires us to fight for the integrity of China and that he associates it with a strong navy in order to be prepared to fight for it. That does not follow. We had to fight for the rescue of our imperiled minister, but for nothing more. We saved China by moral power, but that power was effective because there was material power behind it. What we have yet to do will be wrought by the moral power of the great republic, but that power will be all the greater with the visible evidence of an adequate navy in eastern waters.

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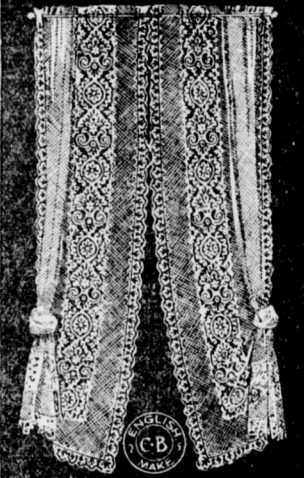
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The Shopbell Dry Good Co., 313 Pine Street, WILLIAMSPORT, PA.
Ladies' and Misses' Spring Suits.

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 In effect Monday, Dec. 5, 1904.

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