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It will be the general hope that the embarrassment which has overtaken the Chestnut street National bank of Philadelphia, may be overcome without sacrifice of its existence and without loss to its depositors.

Intelligence in Advertising. It is not unreasonable to credit much of the increased business done by Scranton merchants this holiday season to the improved character of their advertising.

Christian Science Once More. We have secured a copy of the organ, delivered recently by Judge Pennypacker of the Philadelphia common pleas court in which the refusal of that jurist to grant a charter to the association styling itself the "First Church of Christian Science" is explained.

The Need of Unity of Purpose. There is undoubtedly a growing feeling among Republicans who are so far from believing that something in the nature of a party is to be shown among the party's dividing agents in power if the elections of 1898 are to be approached with confidence.

A Woman's View. From a Letter by Susan Morse Perry in the New York Sun. I read a statement in today's Herald to the effect that Senator Hale, in speaking of the recent killing of Colonel Ruiz by the insurgents in Cuba, resented it as an act of savagery.

A Fate Richly Deserved. We give some space elsewhere on this page to a collection of news and comment regarding the fate of the Spanish officer, Colonel Ruiz, who in disregard of repeated warnings went into the Cuban camp to betray a Cuban leader to his cause.

No Flag of Truce. From a Columnar in the New York Herald. Ernesto Tosen, Consul General Lee's secretary, who was sent to Colonel Aranguren's camp to plead for mercy for Lieutenant Colonel Ruiz returned to Havana on Saturday night, having reached his destination only to obtain a full confirmation of the gallant officer's death.

Comments on the Killing of Ruiz. From the Washington Star. AMERICAN citizens who are inclined to characterize the shooting of Ruiz by the Cuban insurgents as an international outrage should recall all the history of their own country.

Invited His Own Fate. Our Havana despatches, in reporting that a letter found on the body of Colonel Joaquin Ruiz offered a bribe of \$100,000 to Colonel Nesor Aranguren, have put in a new light the death penalty imposed on the brave but unfortunate Spanish officer.

to internecine strife. There is a period that by contrast with the sulphurous times of not long ago might be called a calm, but it is the calm before the storm.

The assertion of the Hazleton Sentinel that the Republican state committee is sending out literature in support of the candidacy of Colonel W. A. Stone for governor can hardly be true.

With Pennsylvania's revenues falling \$300,000 a year short of expenses and with unpaid debts exceeding available funds by more than \$2,000,000, the room for judicious economy in state government ought to be made a live issue of the approaching gubernatorial campaign.

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GOLDSMITH'S BAZAAR.

BUT ONE DAY TILL CHRISTMAS.

The Holiday Department

It is cleaning up time. Cutting and slashing of prices is the edict that has gone forth. We are too busy to go into details. Even our advertising man has been pressed into service to help look after the thousands of buyers that are flocking to our store.

A Great Glove Sale

Ladies' Foster Pique Lacing Gloves of the very best quality in tans, ox blood, slates and blacks: The \$2 kind for the next two days, unless sooner sold out, price \$1.37

Skirts and Aprons

(Second Floor, Take Elevator.) Ladies' Flannelette Skirts, striped bottom, neatly embroidered edges, 23 Cents.

Sensational Silk Selling

Brocaded Silk Taffetas and Roman Striped Silks, many of them were 75 cents, the closing price (not for a day, or an hour, but as long as they last), at 41 Cents.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING ALWAYS BUSY. RELIABLE Clothing at reliable prices, has always been our motto. Quality unexcelled, prices the lowest. Your money back if you want it; and the same price to everybody. Open Evenings Until After the Holidays.

Lewis, Reilly & Davies. Wholesale and Retail. OPEN EVENINGS. The Last Day BEFORE The Best Day

FINLEY'S A HELP TO SANTA CLAUS. Special Sale of FANCY SILKS For This Week. We offer about 1,000 yards Fancy Silk, choice designs in 3 lots, including Brocades, Persians, Roman Stripes, etc.

REYNOLDS BROTHERS, STATIONERS, ENGRAVERS, HOTEL JEREMY'S BUILDING, 139 Wyoming Avenue.

HILL & CONNELL'S Furniture. Such a choice stock to select from cannot be found elsewhere in this part of the state.

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