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OUR FOREIGN TRADE AND ITS EXPANSION.

We do not mention it for the purpose of criticising the administration, or in other ways coming in contact with the opinions of our friends, but we wish to remind the flag-followers that it is commerce, and not war, which is breaking a path-way for Americans into the most secluded corners of the earth. The Philadelphia Record says:

Our flag does not float in British Bournemouth, yet the Pennsylvania Steel Company is to construct there a marvelous viaduct, at a cost of \$700,000, and this is expected to be the notable exhibition of American genius and enterprise in the Old World. Except on our consular and mission buildings our flag does not wave in Japan, but the Phoenixville Bridge Company is to build a steel railroad bridge in the land of flowers. It was our sturdy iron which opened the way for the construction of a bridge over the Atbara River, in Egypt. England is buying railway engines by the score, and American rails are to be laid on the Syria-Ottoman R'y, which is to pass through ancient Damascus. Twelve American steel bridges are to be built for the Eastern Chinese railroad, a terminus of the Transsiberian Railway, and still others are to be constructed in Central America, Brazil, Mexico and Canada.

The bare recital of this great expansion of our foreign trade is sufficient to arouse a pardonable pride in our country's resources, in the ingenuity of our people and in their unquestionable ability to achieve immense results. And yet it seems reasonable to believe that our present trade expansion is but a prelude to the vast proportions which the American export trade will assume a few years hence.

The National Peace Jubilee at Washington, commencing May 23rd, inst., will be a grand thing. Travel on the S. A. L. and see it—only half rate.

STILL WE ADVANCE.

Two Chicago professors claim that they have found a remedy for giving a new life to old people; the return to youth, it is asserted, is produced by hypodermic injections of the lymphatic fluid of animals, particularly young goats.

The theory is that if the mineral deposits which accumulate in the bones in the process of life can be replaced with the life cells contained in the glands of goats, deterioration of the bones will be prevented and elasticity and youth will be retained in the system much longer.

In one of his experiments of the Clinical School, Dr. Hawley administered hypodermic injections of the fluid from the lymphatic glands of a goat to a dog known to be 14 years old. In two months mineral deposits had been removed from the dog's bones and the animal was as lively as a puppy.

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Recently it appears that we are to have a little more "scrapping" over in Cuba, as the Cuban soldiers have refused to lay down their arms and accept the \$75.00 per man offered them by Uncle Sam.

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