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### FATE OF THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

Against the project by Germany to secure a coaling station in Venezuela, the United States proposes to offer forcible objection. Such objection is based upon the Monroe doctrine as justification. The Monroe doctrine has been held inviolate and inviolable by the United States so long as this country has the power to enforce it. Upon numerous occasions our secretaries of state have taken firm stand. Indeed, have seldom failed to insist, that the Monroe doctrine be respected by European powers.

The Monroe doctrine is based upon the theory that the great powers have each their proper sphere of influence, and that the proper sphere of influence of European governments lies not on the western hemisphere. Hence, those not already with a footing at the time of the promulgation of the Monroe doctrine, were warned to keep hands off, or make an accounting to the United States.

But there were other essential element in the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine, and these are the avoidance by this country of "entangling alliances" and of attempt to extend the flag's dominion over lands situate in other hemisphere.

The issue relating to entangling alliances is dangerously near having been definitely decided in a manner to remove the ground from beneath us as to the Monroe doctrine, for, if we are not officially allied to England, we are at least accounted so in Europe.

As to the other issue, that of withholding our aspirations for empire in lands in other hemisphere, the administration now proposes to decide it so that the great powers will be able, in any international court of arbitration, to prove the entire impertinence of the Monroe doctrine, and leave us with no rational argument to present in offering objection to any European power coming to the western hemisphere at will.

Russia catches the idea with avidity and says: "Monroism is embarrassing to the imperialists, who realize that America cannot interfere in other hemisphere while forbidding European interference in the American hemisphere."

How in pursuing a policy of empire we are to maintain the time-honored Monroe doctrine does not appear to the average man.

### BUILDERS, STAND AND DELIVER.

Prices have ruled abnormally high in the steel and iron trade for several years. The other day the market reviews by the commercial agencies told of a downward tendency. Simultaneously, the mills of the Illinois Steel company and others in the steel trust began to shut down. With orders for 850,000 tons of steel rails, the Illinois company closed mills at Joliet on the very day of the republican prosperity and found money parade in Chicago. At other points the same was done. In Ohio, large numbers of factories in the steel and iron trade have been shut down.

It is to be presumed that some political writers would see in this nothing indicating the existence of a trust in steel and iron, and perhaps would call forth denial such as that which follows the assertion that a trust in agricultural implements exists.

But, strip the proposition of all specific elements, and express it in the abstract: Demand is sufficient to call for continued operation of industrial plants. Prices are good, but begin to recede somewhat from an abnormally high level. The industrial plants close down. Is it not evident that the closing of plants is to limit production so as to force prices again to the abnormal level?

The range of prices in the steel and

over Sicily, where Frederick II. (1218-1250), the son of Peter of Aragon, reigned." This is a characteristic passage from the six pages which a distinguished scholar devotes to the Italy of Dante, Petrarch and Lorenzo the Magnificent.

This tendency to catalogue names of persons and places which have not the least importance for the reader or which for want of space must be left as undetermined as x, y, z, in an unsolved equation, Mr. Robinson says, is almost too universal to require illustration. This sort of history writing requires no thought on the part of the reader, only memory. It is the easiest kind of history to teach, and, easiest kind of history to write. The present writer recalls his own experience in these days of cheap and convenient books of reference, and the student who is heavy armed for intellectual encounters. Let him learn his trade and not faint under the burden of tools whose use is only remotely contingent. The present writer recalls his own experience in these days of cheap and convenient books of reference, and the student who is heavy armed for intellectual encounters. Let him learn his trade and not faint under the burden of tools whose use is only remotely contingent.

The average popular history is simply a catalogue of political events. It may be interesting to know who was the monarch most summarily dealt with by the French revolution; but it is vastly more interesting and important to have learned the conditions which brought about the revolution, the political changes of history have their place, but there are other equally important phases of social activity and interest. We are taught in school who were the monarchs, generals, statesmen of an epoch, but little if anything is said about the conditions, tendencies, clear development, religion, literature and art of the great mass of the people.

Another fault of popular histories is the prominence they give to romantic persons and episodes. This may be called the "yellow" sort of history, which has its counterpart in certain newspapers of today which are chroniclers of history in a smaller way. What these histories state may be true, but, as Mr. Robinson observes, "to make true statements is not necessarily to tell the truth. We may, like the 'yellow' journalist, narrate facts, but with such reckless disregard of perspective, and with such a consistent anxiety to startle at any cost, that unvarnished fiction would be preferable."

Putting the essence of his paper into one paragraph, Mr. Robinson says: "The business of an introduction to medieval and modern European history, destined for students and the public at large, whether it be in one volume or a dozen, should be the description and explanation of the most signal achievements of western civilization during the last thousand years; its purpose should be to make clear the salient characteristics of the culture of the middle ages and of the great changes which have since taken place, especially those we call the renaissance, the reformation and the revolution; to tell us what they mean, and what they meant." This would seem to be the rational way of treating any historical period. A history so prepared would require thought, not merely memory.

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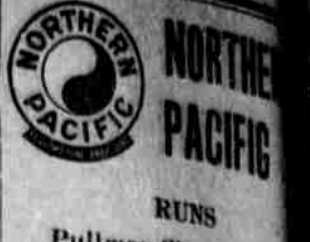
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