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WAR PREDICTIONS FALSE.

The predictions of some Americans in regard to Cuba having a civil war, has greatly annoyed President Palma, who is anxious to dissipate the possible doubt concerning the stability of the present Cuban government. Implanted in the American mind by Mr. Bryan's statement, and to convey assurances that there is no probability intercine war in Cuba, is shown in the following cable dispatch which the President recently sent to Colliers Weekly, the paper in which Mr. Bryan's views were printed.

The following is Senor Palma's message:

To the Editor of Colliers Weekly, New York:—I understand that William Jennings Bryan has made statements in Colliers Weekly indicating his belief that there is not only dissatisfaction among the political parties here in Cuba, but that a certain faction evinces a revolutionary spirit which is bound to lead to Civil War in our new Republic. If Mr. Bryan really thought he heard the distant roll of revolutionary drums and a whispered call to arms in this Island when he was here, then the people of Cuba, all of us, have fallen on our ears.

"I have received no notices of disturbances or of anything except utmost harmony among the elements.

"Certainly, however, our economical situation is extremely bad. I am aware of the great crying demand throughout the Island among the poorer people for work. At the same time I have every evidence of the people's patience under great suffering and am conscious of their confidence in the future and of their determination to assist my administration through this exceedingly difficult period.

"I believe the Americans will give us the relief necessary to our prosperity. I thank you for this opportunity to say that I do not believe Cuba will ever have a Civil War. Our people simply want peace and work enough to obtain means of life.

(Signed) "ESTRADO PALMA."

A cable message from a correspondent of Colliers Weekly, in the interior of Cuba, received recently said: "All parties and nationalities in the farming districts and on the sugar plantations are in perfect harmony, working for the country's good. They have resolved to avoid all disturbances that might prejudice commercial interests or give the United States opportunity for exercising the rights of intervention conceded in the Platt amendment."

BUSINESS IN THE WEST.

While we have good to send abroad when our foreign friends are in need of it, as they occasionally are, still it is better to send them more wheat and corn and less gold, for it is convenient and even necessary to have plenty of the latter if we are to maintain favorable money rates for business purposes.

The general crop outlook is good and there is every likelihood that the United States will have abundant supplies of both corn and wheat for export purposes this year. While there is a considerable reduction of the wheat acreage the indications for the general crop point to a yield of about 660,000,000 bushels. This will be something like 100,000,000 bushels short of last year's crop, but last year was a banner year. If the experts are not wrong in the estimate the crop for 1902 will be larger than any crop except last year, and 1901, when the yield reached the phenomenal total of 663,000,000 bushels.

The high prices which have been ruling for corn insure a large planting, and a second bumper of the crop, such as secured last year, is not at all likely. Therefore for both wheat and corn and certainly for wheat, the prospects are favorable for a heavy yield and large exports, which keep the farmer in ready money and go so far towards maintaining the general business of the country on a profitable basis. This condition will be greatly helped by a large cotton crop, of which there are now the best of indications.

So with ample wheat and cotton crops and fair prospects for corn, the South and West have a good year ahead of them, and when the South and West have good times there is rarely any cause for complaint from other sections of the country.

AN OPINION.

San Francisco Examiner.

General Wood has been detected in the act of employing the American machinery of a campaign fund and a literary bureau to promote the cause of Cuban reciprocity. And being a good republican, he naturally went to the Sugar Trust for a contribution.

If the Cubans had no objection to the Governor-General spending their money for printer's ink in the United States to spread knowledge of their sore need of tariff concessions, it is not apparent that he can be convicted of nefarious conduct. It is the secrecy of the performance and the manner in which knowledge of it has been divulged that give it the look of a dark deed.

Beet-sugar republicans profess to be shocked and scandalized by the disclosure that the Sugar Trust wants lower duties on raw sugar and paid $2,500 into General Wood's spread-the-light fund.

It is indeed overwhelming to the moral sense to discover that the Sugar Trust takes an interest in the tariff and is willing to draw checks for common purposes.

We venture to say that should the republicans set about lowering or removing the duty on refined sugar they would hear from the Trust strong language on the subject of breach of contract and ingratitude.

The matter of the question of reciprocity with Cuba cannot be affected by any thing that General Wood or the Sugar Trust has done or may do.

With reciprocity Cuba will prosper. Without reciprocity Cuba will languish and suffer.

We are responsible before the world for the prosperity of Cuba.

The national honor demands that we let down the tariff bars and give the people of the new republic a chance to make a decent living.

COMMENCEMENT

The season at hand welcomes a great many inquiring things. And though it seems that the one thing spoken of is the crowning of England's King, But June regularly crowns the students. The young people who through the years have struggled for victory in the different studies prepare for the bestowing upon them of the crown of success, the divers degrees.

There can be no more pleasing sight than to see the youth full of hope, who has been filled for years with the determination, receive his well earned and allowed prize. Graduates to take hold of the many different questions of the day, the search for discoveries, some to take up new work and others to promote a little further the work already started by men of by-gone days.

There can be no hearts so dead but that it is stirred by these youthful exponents of graduation, and who does not feel that the hope of future progress and the country's advance is fresh and strong in these impetuous souls, who cross the brink of the college doors to enter the warmer atmosphere of life and of battle, to make a place for themselves and do their duties as they see them. Filled with this determination to succeed, may they have already realized that never was victory achieved without a conquest.

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HIS LIFE IN PERIL.

"I just seemed to have gone all to pieces," writes Albert Lee of Willard, Tex., "kidneys and a liver block had made life a burden. I couldn't eat or sleep and felt almost too worn out to work when I began to use Electric Bitters, but they worked wonders. Now I sleep like a top, can eat anything, have gained in strength and can work hard when." They give vigorous health and new life to weak, nervous, run-down people. Try them. Only 50c at Charles Rogers' drug store.

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AS HE CHILD SAW HIM.

A prominent real estate man in Los Angeles had an effectionate, a few evenings ago, that kept him guessing for a little bit as to whether he should feel complimented or otherwise. He was at home with one little daughter, while his wife and another of the children were down town. Darkness was coming on, and the little girl was anxiously watching for her mother's return. Her uneasiness grew apace, in spite of the father's attempt at reassurance. At length the little one burst into tears, saying:

"I just can't help it! I need mamma, and I must have her."

"No, of course not," replied the little one. "Change then there's some grown-up person about the house."—Los Angeles Herald.

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