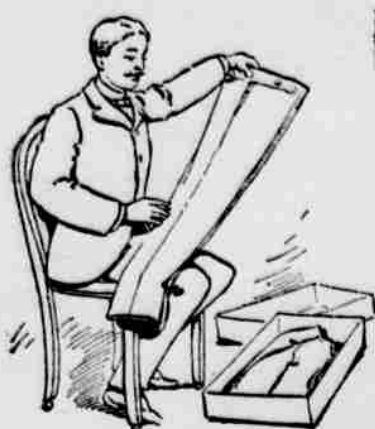


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**SOUTH AMERICAN ALLIANCE.**

There has been some talk recently of a sort of an offensive and defensive alliance between the South American republics as against the United States, says the Review. A few days ago it was said that one of the first steps towards the formation of that alliance was taken in a conference of Brazilian and Argentine officials at Rio Janeiro. There were expressions of mutual esteem, playing of bands, drinking of healths and swearing to eternal friendship between the two republics.

The authorities at Washington have not taken this matter very seriously, for the reason that they do not believe there is anything very substantial behind it. In the first place there is no reason for such an alliance. The United States has never had any designs against the South American republics, has none today, and probably never will have. On the contrary, there has been an attempt made constantly to enter into such close relations with those republics as would benefit the nations on both sides.

At the present time the most of the South American states give this country the best assurances of friendship. This remark applies to Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia and Brazil. In spite of some minor disputes of no moment, our relations with the Brazilians have been cordial. The same could have been said of Argentina and Chile up to a few years ago. At present it must be confessed that these two peoples have no great love for us, although there is no real and solid cause for enmity. Several exasperating if not serious differences have arisen between this country and Chile, and as a result we are disliked as a nation. So, too, Argentina is anything but cordial, but this has grown out of commercial relations largely. She has grown to be a competitor of the United States as a wheat raiser, and the abrogation of reciprocity treaties has affected her trade by imposing a duty on her wool and other products. None of these matters are of such character or import to warrant the formation of any alliance against this country, and any alliance built on a foundation so unstable would fall through sheer uselessness.

Perhaps there can never be any great affiliation between the people of the United States and those of South America. The one is Anglo-Saxon, the other is Latin. There is no natural sympathy between them through blood, language, religion or literature. But for all this, the South Americans have always looked to this country as a natural protector ever since Spanish rule was thrown off in the early part of the century. In all probability the first nation

from which a South American country would call for help if oppressed by a European power would be the United States.

One reason that the Latin-Americans are not drawn closer to us is that their trading is done with Europeans. Their bonds are held in Europe. Their leading industries and mercantile concerns are falling into the hands of the English and Germans. Their immigration is coming from the continent. These are forces which tend to throw some of them into the European rather than the American group of powers. With such tendencies it is unfortunate that there should be any suspicions of schemes of conquest on the part of the United States. It may result in Europe becoming a more dominant influence in South America, and perhaps will affect seriously the commercial interests of this country.

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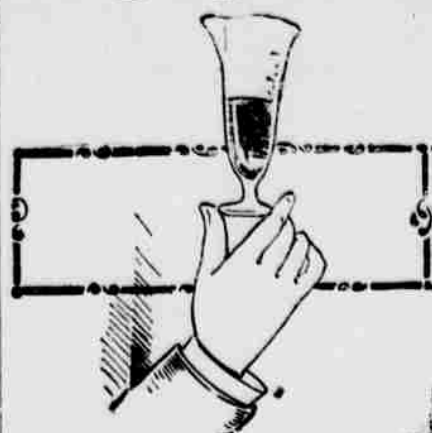
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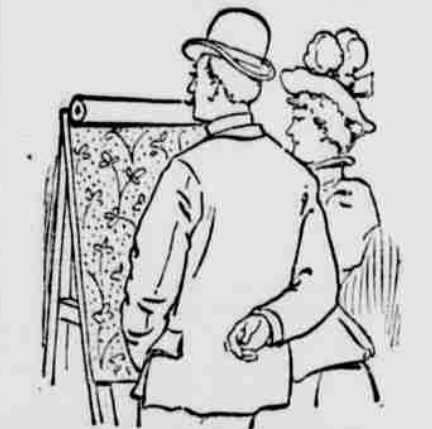


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