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While peace may be very near, the probabilities are that it is still a long way off. Spanish diplomacy is in the highest degree slippery and treacherous. It probably will be months before an arrangement is reached, even if negotiations are not interrupted by insurrection, which is extremely probable. The adherents of Don Carlos are extremely active in Spain. They are for war to the death, and with this cry will array on their side a large following among the ignorant masses, as soon as it is understood that the present government is prepared to relinquish Spanish colonies. Civil war in Spain is probable before peace is accomplished. There is no move as yet to suspend military and naval operations. So far as we are concerned, the war will probably go on until the preliminaries, engineered by France, have cleared the way, and render it worth while to proclaim an armistice pending the negotiation of a treaty of peace.

The city of Boston has had a daily medical inspection of her schools for the last three years, says the New York Tribune, and the system is pronounced eminently successful in its results. The city is divided into fifty districts for medical visitation, and to each visitor from one to five schools are assigned. Teachers report the cases of children who seem to be ailing, and the medical inspector decides whether the illness is sufficient to justify sending the pupil home again. A report of this inspection for one year shows an examination of 8,364 cases, of which 1,136 were found to be too ill to remain in school. The President of the Board of Health bears testimony to the efficiency of this system of inspection, and says that by the promptitude and thoroughness of its action it has arrested epidemics of diphtheria, scarlet fever and other infectious and contagious maladies. The system is worthy of adoption elsewhere than in Boston, and it is rather a wonder that something of this sort was not thought of long ago.

Some so-called authorities and a scattering of plain citizens are voicing their doubts as to the propriety of the United States taking possession of Porto Rico as a result of this war with Spain. There are two good reasons why Porto Rico should become American territory, and these reasons are sufficient to smother the weak-willed cavillings of all critics. The first reason is that Porto Rico will make a valuable bit of American territory, useful as a commercial outlet and as a naval station, such as this country has needed for many years. The second reason is that the motives underlying the effort to rid Cuba of Spanish rule are potent to cause the people of this country to desire that the same process be applied to Cuba's smaller sister in the Antilles. The conditions that have led up to this war of intervention threaten to develop in the other island if Spain is permitted to remain in possession. Theoretically Spain is as bad a neighbor in Porto Rico as she has ever been in Cuba. True, her territorial area of possible wickedness and oppression is smaller in the former case, but her capacity for mischief is identical. If there be a reason for clearing Spain out of Cuba there is similar reason for clearing her out of the other colony. She is an undesirable element in this vicinity and she must be evicted for the peace and comfort of the United States and the advancement of civilization. Porto Rico is within the recognized sphere of American influence, and can be populated and assimilated by the republic with a minimum of difficulty. It is the one section of Spanish territory which seems certain to fall immediately, completely and permanently into American possession.

GENERAL BLANCO FOR REVENGE.

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leaders, military and civil, Spain's future is hopeless, indeed. If when Spain lays down her arms in this fight it is to be with the intention of renewing it upon good opportunity, and her young men are to be nourished upon hopes of revenge on the United States by a bloody play for even, then she must be stark mad.

We have seen France commit such folly. She yielded to Germany, but has ever since cherished hopes of revenge. Her whole policy since that war has been pitched in the key of revenge. The world has steadily and rapidly been advancing. New fields have been opening up and great enterprises projected, but in the main France has lived in the past and been incapable of forgetting Alsace and Lorraine. She must have them back at any cost and inflict upon Germany a humiliating defeat. She has steered her course accordingly, and the result is, as ex-Ambassador Elihu very forcibly pointed out last year in the July number of the North American Review, she has passed from a first to a second-class power. She has thrown herself hysterically into the arms of Russia upon terms which promise her nothing, but Russia everything. She is further today from accomplishing her one pet object than she was twenty years ago.

Is Spain to ground arms and then retire to perfect plans for recovering her lost possessions? Are her leaders to cast about for allies to assist in punishing the United States and running up the Spanish flag again where it is now coming down? Are the young men to "consecrate" their lives, as General Blanco would have it, to fighting the United States?

There is nothing for Spain in that direction. What she is losing now she is losing for all time. Her inability to cope with the United States will become greater from year to year. The one country is in the forward rank of the nations and will remain there, advancing with them and constantly becoming more powerful. The other, inevitably, faces a long period of depression and a constantly diminishing prestige.

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