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HE IS FOR CUBA

PRESIDENT SENDS A MESSAGE URGING RECIPROCIITY.

IT IS EARNESTLY CONSIDERED

Roosevelt Not to Let His Political Prospects Interfere with His Plain Duty—Our Relations with Cuba Must Necessarily Grow Closer.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—After talking with a number of the leaders in congress regarding Cuban reciprocity President Roosevelt yesterday determined to send a message to congress reaffirming his attitude on the subject.

The president has earnestly considered the matter for several days and it is stated that the action of the anti-reciprocity republican senators yesterday in deciding to hold out against the policy advocated by the majority of the party did not influence the president in the least in deciding to transmit his message to congress today.

The president's action, it may be stated, from sources close to him, was influenced by the broad proposition of the duty of the United States to Cuba and of fairness to the new republic.

It has been pointed out to the president that his warmest political support is in the section of the country where there is the greatest opposition to reciprocity, the west and northwest, and that he should remain content with the stand he had taken without accentuating his views in a special message.

It is known, however, that the president did not hesitate to arrive at the conclusion that he would not let his political prospects interfere with what he regarded as his plain duty. It is further known that he told his friends that it was a source of great regret to him to take a position hostile to the wishes of his warmest supporters, but that he felt it would not be in keeping with his own nature and his position of chief executive to longer remain silent on this subject and thereby given an opportunity for false speculation as to his attitude.

The president was further led to conclude that the relations of the United States and Cuba must necessarily grow closer and that the United States should not at the outset, after its declared purposes toward the island, assume a position contrary thereto and thus arouse the suspicions of the Cuban government as to our real intentions toward it.

It is stated that the president's positive declaration in his message as to the duty of congress probably will end his active efforts to bring about reciprocity.

IRRIGATION BILL PASSES.

Result Marks the End of an Arduous and Uplift Campaign.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—The expected happened yesterday when the house passed the irrigation bill by a comfortable majority. This result, which is so gratifying to the advocates of the reclamation of the arid land regions gave the subject an impetus early in the session, and it was generally predicted at the time that the bill drafted by the friends of irrigation would be one of the first placed upon the statute books. The bill passed the senate without a roll call, and then it was that the leaders of the house decided to consign it to the graveyard of legislative hopes. For a time the prospect looked dark, but a careful campaign was made and the result of it was the passage of the bill yesterday in the face of the determined opposition on the part of potential leaders of the house.

Thanks Roosevelt and Congress.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., June 14.—The Cheyenne Board of Trade tonight passed resolutions thanking Wyoming's representatives in congress for the efforts in securing the passage of the irrigation bill and President Roosevelt for his kindly cooperation.

River and Harbor Bill Signed.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—The president today signed the river and harbor bill.

Colonel Ayre Coming Home.

BASETTE, Neb., June 14.—Colonel Louis H. Ayre, the United States consul at Guadalupe, George Kenman, the well known traveler; Prof. Angelo Hellpich, president of the Philadelphia Geographical society, and Mr. Varian and Mr. Jaccard arrived here yesterday from Fort De France, Martinique on the steamer Fontabelle, which will leave tomorrow for New York. All are in good health.

If Colored Must Pay Tax.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Commissioner Yerkes of the internal revenue bureau has settled the contested question as to whether butter, or any other ingredients artificially colored, may be used in the manufacture of oleomargarine without increasing the tax from one-quarter of a cent to 10 cents a pound, by issuing a regulation, which holds that no artificial coloring matter can be used without increasing the tax.

STYCHINE IN THEIR FOOD.

Two of Plymouth Turn Up Over Poisoning Cases.

FAIRBURY, Neb., June 14.—The town of Plymouth, in the northeast part of the county, has considerable excitement over a poisoning which seems to have no plausible explanation. A small circus which travels in one car stopped there, and while the company, numbering twenty-two people in all, were at supper they were poisoned. The manager, Charles Kinshrew, and wife escaped, but a Miss Myrtle Boyles of Topeka and a Mrs. E. W. Diller, a contortionist, were so severely poisoned that it was feared they would not recover, while the balance of the company were more or less affected. The two ladies who were so badly affected were taken to the hotel, and their food was prepared respectively under the supervision of Mrs. Diller's husband and Miss Boyles' brother. After eating a small portion of toast prepared in this manner, the two women became violently ill again and doctors from this city were summoned, who pronounced it strychnine poisoning.

The county attorney was in Plymouth investigating the case, but he can find no evidence upon which to make an arrest. There were some circumstances surrounding the first poisoning that directed some suspicion towards Henry Beno, a freak who recently joined the show and who eats glass, swallows all kinds of poisons, and does other seemingly impossible feats, but as he could not possibly have had anything to do with the second dose the mystery only deepens.

MEETS HORRIBLE DEATH.

Dodge County Farmer Struck by a Train and Killed.

SNYDER, Neb., June 14.—Charles Fogler, a farmer living four miles southeast of Dodge, met a horrible death a mile and a half west of this place. His body was found on the Elkhorn railroad tracks by a crew on board a westbound train. It was mangled in fearful fashion, every limb being severed and broken, the head crushed to pulp, the trunk cut to pieces and internal organs torn from their fastenings. Fogler was in town the day before doing some trading and while here drank a good deal. He was intoxicated when he started to walk home in the evening, and it is supposed that he lay down to sleep on the track, where an eastbound train struck him.

Has Relic of the Maine.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., June 14.—Captain J. P. Grinstead, who recently spent two years in the service of the government in the Philippines, is the possessor of a neat little relic in the shape of a brass star cut from one of the battlefields of the ill-fated Maine. The star is suitably engraved and the captain has been wearing it ever since his appointment as city marshal.

Arrested on Burglary Charge.

WILBER, Neb., June 14.—A deputy sheriff and jailer from Lancaster county were here after Walter Dillon and Charles Bennett, who were wanted to answer a charge of burglary at Bennett. They have been in jail here since last December, having been arrested on a minor charge at the time Stein Bros. store was burglarized at Friend and afterwards held for aiding a fellow prisoner to escape.

Overdose Causes Death.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 14.—Mrs. Leora Falkenstein of Riverton, Neb., was found dead in bed at the home of Mrs. Emma D. Shild, whom she had been visiting during the past few days. A coroner's inquest was held and it was found that she came to her death by an overdose of poisonous medicine, which she had taken accidentally.

Kearney to Celebrate Fourth.

KEARNEY, Neb., June 14.—It has been determined that Kearney will have a rousing old-fashioned celebration on the Fourth of July. Several hundred dollars have already been raised, and more is ready if needed to make that date compare with the crops in this part of the state.

Two Vacancies to Fill.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., June 14.—The board of trustees of the institute for the blind have elected all of the old teachers but Misses Flora Bullock and Alice Traesdale. As yet no one has been elected to fill the vacancies.

The Natal Day.

OSCEOLA, Neb., June 14.—Osceola will celebrate the Fourth. The money has all been subscribed, the fireworks have been ordered, and the eagle will stream louder than ever before.

OGALLALA, Neb., June 14.—Ogallala will celebrate the Fourth of July this year in genuine western style, it being so planned by a mass meeting of the citizens.

Severe Storm in York County.

MC COOL JUNCTION, Neb., June 14.—This locality was visited by a very hard wind storm and considerable damage was done to small outbuildings, barns and windmills.

Have Hopes for Blunt.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., June 14.—Fred Blunt, the young man who shot himself through the right lung, because his wife had left him, may recover.

THE CUBAN BILL

SENATORS TAKE A DEFINITE STAND RELATIVE THERETO.

ARE FRIENDLY TO BEET SUGAR

But Will Oppose Reciprocity—Agree to Present Solid Front Against Reduced Tariff, Believing They Command Sufficient Strength to Win.

WASHINGTON, June 13.—The republican senators who are friendly to the beet sugar industry and who oppose the proposed legislation for a reduction of the tariff on Cuban products, held a conference of almost two hours duration and decided to continue their opposition to the reciprocity proposition.

They will do this by announcing to the advocates of the tariff reduction that they will cast their votes for the reciprocity bill as it passed the house, indicating the Morris amendment for the abolition of the differential due to refined sugar and that they will resist all amendments that may be offered to it. They will propose two alternatives, one of these is to drop the subject and make no further attempt to secure reciprocity legislation; the other is to accept the rebate plan. The conference was held in Senator Elkin's committee room.

The committee of conciliation consisting of Senators Elkins, Burrows and Jones of Nevada, appeared to confer with the senators of the Cuba committee at the outset, reported that they had failed to secure concessions from the opposition.

The effect of the Thurber testimony was thoroughly considered immediately following this report. Account of those present and of those absent and known to be in sympathy with the movement led to the conclusion that there are at least nineteen republican senators who can be depended upon to stand together in any course agreed on. Counting the full democratic vote as favorable to the house bill the beet sugar advocates conclude that a proposition to pass the measure would be the strongest that could be put forward. The combination of the two forces would give a total of fifty-two votes, or seven more than a majority. There was objection on the part of some of the senators to an acceptance of the house bill carrying the abolition of the refined sugar differential with the reciprocal provision, but it was pointed out that by no other course were the beet sugar senators sure of receiving the full democratic vote. The suggestion also was made that rather than see the house go to a vote under such conditions the friends of the Cuban reciprocity either would accept a reate plan or permit the session to come to a close without making further attempt to secure action.

This Line of Reasoning Prevailed and the decision of the conference was unanimous. It was decided to continue the conference committee, with instructions to present the facts as here detailed to the republican members of the committee on relations with Cuba to other senators who advocate straight reciprocity.

The committee in making its report on past efforts to secure harmonious action by the republican senators dwelt at some length on the details of the ill proposed by the reciprocity advocates. They pointed out with special emphasis the amendments abolishing the public provision requiring Cuba's acceptance of American immigration, labor and exclusion laws. This action, it was declared, would give at least the partial effect of bringing American workmen into competition with cheap foreign labor, and it was spoken of as being most objectionable.

Waller and Day Arrive.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 13.—Among the officers arriving from Manila on the transport Warren today were Major W. L. T. Waller and Lieutenant J. A. H. Day of the marine corps, the two officers who were recently tried by court-martial in the Philippines on the charge of cruelty to Filipinos and acquitted. Major Waller and Lieutenant Day are both enfeebled in health from the long service.

Irrigation Investigations.

LARAMIE, Wyo., June 13.—Prof. Burton P. Fleming of the University of Wyoming has been notified of his appointment as an expert in the office of irrigation investigations. He will probably remain here.

Madam Hanez Wins Suit.

PARIS, June 13.—As a result of the suit begun in January, 1899, by Madam Hanez, wife of Lieutenant Colonel Hanez, against Joseph Reinach, former editor of the Siecle, and against that paper, for 200,000 francs damages for alleged injury to herself through the accusations made against her deceased husband in the Siecle, the court condemned M. Reinach and the manager of the Siecle to pay 1,000 francs to the widow and her son.

Judge Hubbard is Dead.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., June 12.—Judge N. M. Hubbard, Iowa's most noted lawyer, politician and general counselor for the Northwestern Railroad company, died yesterday from injuries received in a runaway train accident. He died at the age of 72 years. He leaves an estate valued at \$500,000. Governor Cummins, the judges of the supreme court and many other prominent persons will attend the funeral Saturday.

Woman a City Treasurer.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 12.—Mrs. Lillian J. Adams was today appointed treasurer of Kansas City, Kan., by Mayor Craddock to succeed her husband.

Earthquakes in Ecuador.

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, June 13.—Violent earthquakes have been felt during the last fortnight at Tulcan, a town near the Colombian frontier.

Miss Nye to Wed.

LARAMIE, Wyo., June 13.—Cards have been received here announcing the marriage of Miss Bessie, daughter of the late William ("Bill") Nye.

Morgan Goes to Venice.

LONDON, June 13.—J. Pierpont Morgan left London this afternoon for Venice by way of Paris.

Morgan Losing No Time.

NEW YORK, June 13.—A London dispatch to the Tribune says that while many positive statements respecting the British anti-Morgan shipping combination are printed, it is probable that nothing will be done until the conference of imperial premiers meets. Morgan is not wasting time in London, however, and shipping men and colonial officers confess that he may succeed in obtaining control of the Cunard interests.

BOERS GROW MORE FRIENDLY.

Bitterness Among Leaders is Against France and Germany.

PRETORIA, June 13.—Reports from all the districts say that the burghers are increasingly friendly. The only bitterness observable among the leading Boers here is against France and Germany. They declare the war was prolonged unnecessarily owing to hopes held out by the French and German press.

Some of the Boers are so incensed that they have expressed the hope that some day they will fight on the side of the British against one of these powers.

The anticipated friction between the surrendered Boers and their former comrades of the national scouts has not materialized to any extent.

The Boers admit that they received ammunition through Portuguese territory.

General Dewet says the youngsters were his best fighters and frequently held positions after the other burghers had cleared out.

STARTS HONOLULU CABLE.

Company Asks Conduit Privileges in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 12.—The first actual move in the direction of establishing cable communication from San Francisco to Honolulu and Manila was made today when the Commercial Pacific Cable company asked the supervisors for permission to use the streets for a conduit from the proposed landing at the western end of Fulton street to the company's office in the Hobart building on Market street near Montgomery.

The petition asserts that it is the intention of the promoters to lay and operate a submarine cable between San Francisco and Honolulu and Manila, and that the enterprise will be ready for operation in November of this year. Work on the project has already begun, it is declared, and the laying of cable will begin within ninety days.

CREW MURDERED BY SAVAGES.

Wrecked on Northern Coast of Australia and Only One Escapes.

VICTORIA, B. C., June 13.—According to advices received by the steamer Aorangi, a Malay sailor recently arrived at Port Darwin and reported that he was the only survivor of a crew of ten men of a Malay trading schooner which had been wrecked off Cape Wilberforce, North Australia.

The crew was attacked by blacks and all but one murdered. The survivor suffered severely from privation before being rescued.

The Dutch bark Geertruida Gerarda, which left Java March 22, in ballast for Newcastle, was thrown on its beam ends and abandoned at sea by all but three of its crew, who were rescued by the steamer St. Mary. The remainder of the crew has not been heard of since.

Boy of Tunis is Dead.

TUNIS, June 13.—Sidi Ali, the boy of Tunis, died this morning.

Sidi Ali was born October 4, 1817. He was the son of Sidi Ahsan and succeeded his brother, Sidi Mohammed-Sodok, October 27, 1882. The deceased boy is succeeded by his son, Mohammed, who was born in 1855. The reigning family of Tunis has occupied the throne since 1691.

Train Blown Off Track.

CORWITH, Ia., June 13.—A tornado struck an empty excursion train on the Iowa Central, five miles east of here, last night, and blew three cars from the track while the train was running at thirty miles an hour, leaving the engine and the two last coaches on the track. No one was hurt.

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Must Give Up in a Month.

CAFFERTOWN, June 12.—An extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette from July 10 as the limit in which the Boers or rebels who surrender will receive benefits of the peace terms. All rebels surrendering before that date will be merely disfranchised for life and will not be subjected to trial or punishment. Execution is made in the case of field cornets and justices of the peace, who may be tried and fined.

INDIAN MASSACRE

MEXICANS UNDER GENERAL TORRES SLAUGHTER INDIANS.

SLAY MEN, WOMEN, CHILDREN

Victims Numbered Three Hundred, of Whom but Few Are Spared—It is Said the Mexicans Began Attack by Pouring Volley into Indian Camp.

TUCSON, A. T., June 12.—Colonel William Christy, president of the Valley bank, Phoenix, arrived here today from Britas, Sonora, with details of a massacre of Yaqui Indians, men, women and children, yesterday in the Santa Rosa canyon, sixty-five miles from the Minas Prietas mines, by a detachment of General Torres' troops.

It appears that the Yaqui forces that were operating in that section had moved forth into the mountains, leaving their women and children in Santa Rosa canyon under a guard of eighty men. The Mexican troops came upon this camp and without any warning opened a terrific fire, sparing neither women nor children. After the first salvo the troops charged down upon the panic-stricken victims and massacred all within their reach. Of the guard of eighty Yaquis not a single one survived and over 100 women and children fell victims to the Mexican bullets and bayonets.

The bodies of the dead were left in the canyon and the remaining women and children were driven to Minas Prietas by the soldiers and from that point will be taken to Hermosillo.

The Mexican soldiers and rurales have explicit orders to take no Yaqui prisoners, but to kill in all cases. This order was illustrated yesterday, when a friendly Yaqui miner came down to Prietas for supplies and was killed by the rurales on the outskirts of the town.

Colonel Christy says the massacre occurred at daybreak Monday morning. The troops were of Torres' command, but not under him personally, and numbered 600. The Yaquis, including men, women and children, were over 300. The canyon in which the Yaquis were camped was a long and narrow one.

Word was brought to Torres at Minas Prietas Sunday night that the main body of Yaquis had left the Santa Rosa canyon and gone further into the mountains, leaving their women and children in the canyon with a small guard of men. Torres dispatched 600 troops to block the mouth of the canyon and surrounded the Yaquis. His instructions were to kill all men and boys capable of bearing arms.

The men secreted themselves along the sides of the canyon, having blocked the entrance. At daylight they poured a terrible and deadly fire on the unsuspecting Yaquis, killing men, women and children indiscriminately. Many of the killed were mere infants. The slaughter, Christy says, was fearful. The Mexican troops only stopped their fearful work of shooting and bayoneting their victims when exhausted from their labors.

Convicts Are Surrounded.

SALEM, Ore., June 12.—At 7 o'clock this evening Tracy and Merrill, the convicts who escaped from the Oregon prison Monday after killing three guards, are surrounded in a tract of timber, probably 200 acres in extent, one mile east of Gervais, Marion county. Two companies of national guard and about 100 citizens, all heavily armed, surround the timber and the escape of the convicts now seems impossible.

FAIR TO CLOSE ON SUNDAYS.

President Francis Executes a Contract to that Effect.

ST. LOUIS, June 12.—President Francis has been authorized by the exposition directors to sign a contract with Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, in which the world's fair management pledges itself not to operate the fair on Sunday at any time.

War Veterans to Meet at Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 14.—At a meeting of the district officers of the southeastern Nebraska Grand Army reunion here it was decided to hold the Grand Army of the Republic reunion in this city August 13 to 20, inclusive. It is the intention to have a number of prominent Grand Army of the Republic men of the country attend the reunion.

Horse Kick is Serious.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 14.—Henry Altman, a farmer living two miles southwest of town, was kicked by a horse and had his hip bone badly shattered. A piece of the bone was driven into the abdomen.

Flood Damage Fifty Thousand.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 14.—The damage by the recent flood in Gage county is estimated to be nearly \$50,000.

Develop Suicidal Mania.

ALLIANCE, Neb., June 14.—Sheriff Reed and City Marshal Reese took in an insane man by the name of Charles Van Baskirk. He was lying down and trying to get run over by the switch engine in the yards. He afterwards became violent and only with the assistance of four or five men did the officers succeed in persuading him to where he was wanted. At times he is rational and at others a raving maniac.

NEBRASKA CROP CONDITIONS.

Favorable Outlook Much Improved by Rain and Warm Weather.

The past week, says the Nebraska crop bulletin, has been warm and wet. The daily mean temperature has averaged 1 above normal in the eastern counties and 4 above in the western. The rainfall has been very heavy in the central and eastern counties and light in the western. The rainfall exceeded an inch in most of the eastern part of the state and ranged from 3 to 5 inches over a large area in the southeastern part of the state.

The heavy rains of the past week have injured crops somewhat on low and on rolling land, but on the whole have been exceedingly favorable for the general crop outlook in the state. Corn has been washed out some; in a few instances wheat and oats have been lodged some by the wind, hail and rain. Winter wheat is filling well and continues to improve in condition. Oats have materially improved during the past week, and in some localities are making a rank growth and promise a full crop. Corn cultivation has been delayed; cultivation, however, has made such good progress as to justify the hope that the crop will precede the rainy season and give a very little replanting of corn has been necessary. Grass has grown well. Potatoes continue in fine condition and the early planted are large enough to eat. The first crop of alfalfa is being cut and is somewhat damaged by the rains of the week.

NEBRASKA CREAMERY INTEREST.

The Large Shipment that Has Been Made from Kearney.

OMAHA, Neb., June 14.—The magnitude of the dairy industry in Nebraska and the extent of the business done by the Beatrice Creamery company at its central plant in Lincoln is indicated by the shipment of cream from the town of Kearney. State Food Commissioner S. C. Bassett reports that within twenty-two days \$25,000 worth of cream was shipped from that town. Fully 89 per cent of this was sent to the Beatrice Creamery company at Lincoln. The rest was sent to Omaha. The cream was gathered along the Black Hills road and other lines in that part of the state, but most of it came from Buffalo county, in which Kearney is situated. Mr. Bassett believes the dairy products shipped out of Kearney in one year will amount to a quarter of a million dollars. The record for twenty-two days shows that over \$1,000,000 worth of cream is being shipped from that town. With cash for cream and good prices for cows and with alfalfa to feed and sell, the farmers of Nebraska are considered fortunate.

YORK MAN ENDS HIS LIFE.

F. R. Lewis Hides Away and Swallows Poison.

YORK, Neb., June 14.—This community was startled when the announcement was made that F. R. Lewis had committed suicide. Mr. Lewis was in the employ of the South Platte Creamery company at this place, and was superintendent of routes. He had been in the employ of the company nine years. He left the creamery at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and not returning home for supper a search was made for him. He had taken a dose of sublimated arsenic that is used in the Babcock cream test, and hid himself. After a search of several hours he was found, but too late, as he died in a short time. The only cause that can be given for his taking his life is that he had overworked himself and had worried a great deal over the loss of one of his brothers, and also over another brother now ill at Seward. He leaves a wife and two children.

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BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The State Undertakers' association has selected June 25 for its state convention at Topeka.

Mrs. Roosevelt and children left Washington for Oyster Bay, where the family will spend the summer.

At Croston, Ia., W. P. Hepburn was recommended for congress by the republicans of the Eighth congressional district.

President Palma has signed the bill fixing the salary of the members of the Cuban senate and house of representatives at \$3,000 a year.

Father Pitouval, now of the Colorado diocese of the Catholic church, has been appointed auxiliary bishop to the archbishop of Santa Fe.

The University of Cambridge conferred the honorary degree of doctor of laws on Whitelaw Reid, special American representative to the coronation.

Department from Minister Conger reports that a fatal case of cholera has appeared in the Japanese barracks at Peking, the victim having recently arrived from Tien Tsin.

The May statistics of the gross postal receipts at the fifty largest postoffices in the United States show a net increase of 11 per cent over the receipts for May, 1901.

A \$50,000,000 syndicate, promoted by ex-Mayor Washburne and others, has been formed to build an underground railway system in Chicago after the New York model.

A proclamation has been issued at Pretoria substituting a tax of 10 per cent on the profits of mining operations for the 5 per cent tax that was imposed by the late volkarak.

Rev. Gjerminid Home, president of the United Norwegian church of America, died at Eau Claire, Wis. Bishop Home has been ailing a long time and death was not unexpected.

Dr. J. W. Woods, a retired medical director of the United States navy, well known in army and navy circles, is dead in San Francisco. He was born in New Bedford, Mass., in 1838.

At Grand Rapids, Mich., Attorney Thomas F. McGarry was convicted by a jury in the Allegheny circuit court at Allegheny of the charge of bribery in connection with the Lake Michigan water supply scandal.

Alce Lewis, aged 23, the beautiful daughter of George Lewis, a prominent business man of St. Louis, committed suicide by hanging herself to the transom of a bath room in the Plaza hotel, New York.

The secretary of war has directed the sale of public auction of the Grant and Sedgwick, they being needed no longer in the transport service. The Grant is at San Francisco and the Sedgwick at New York.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Miami university, Dr. Guy P. Benton, president of the Upper university of Iowa, was unanimously elected to succeed Dr. Daird Tappan as president of Miami university.

A memorial service was held in the Apostles church at Rome for the victims of the volcanic outbreak in the West Indies. Cardinal Satolli