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Anti-American Sentiment Manifested South American Cities,

How the Attempt to Blow Up the Marietta Was Frustrated-Some Yankees in Chili and What They Are Doing.

(Copyrighted, 1898, by Frank G. Carpenter.) SANTIAGO, Chill, Aug. 16, 1898.-(Special Correspondence of The Bee.)-I have just received letters and papers from Bue-The Argentine Republic contains more of Spanish soldiers firing at the American Spaniards than any other country outside fleet, and hogs flying through the air ix in Buenos Ayres alone there are over 80,000. engagements in which the hogs are being and would take every precaution to have Buenos Ayres is the biggest Spanish-speak- blown into atoms. ing city in the world. A large part of its population is made up of Spaniards of the lower classes, people who know nothing of call us, could conquer them. As a specimen of the way they talked and felt at the beginning of the war, I cite the following. which I heard today. When war was declared a rather prominent Spaniard here

against us. Why, every one knows that one Spaniard can whip twenty Yankees! You think so, do you?" replied the "Well, you are one Spaniard and I am one Yankee! I don't care for the The Spaniard had no more to say.

Some of Our Legations Guarded. men are stationed at the consulates and 50,000 copies since it began their publica- against the United States are sent to him legations. This I know to be the case in | tion. Montevideo, although I am not sure as to Outside of the Spaniards proper this of Chili, which reports are at once forurning up the Yankees.

he hog cigarette. It comes from Buenos to the Yankees," and the papers denounced Ayres, where the Spanish call us hogs, and the action of our president and congress in sublish a vile sheet in which we are char- unmeasured terms. Where they have go this contemptuous

SPANISH WRATH IN PICTURES term I do not know. Perhaps from the by a number of Spaniards and pro- and mother are with him, and he has three for works which cost tens of millions of the spanish-Chilians to blow up the Oregon little children, two of whom go to the Amer-

national colors. His hands are tied behind what their officers considered a friendly

marched off crying: "Why do you take me to jail? For steal-

Hog Cartoons. Buenos Ayres which is being circulated by organization and plot existed. He at once, the United States, and who just now are the thousand all over South America. You however, made his arrangements to prevent violently inflamed against us. The capital see it in the Spanish stores here, hung upof the Argentine is hence the hotbed of the in the windows, and it is greedily bought anti-American spirit of South America. The and applauded by the people. It is so vile ganized a complete police boat patrol of the Spanish there gave more than \$1,000,000 to that it would not be tolerated as decent in their cause, and until now they have sup- America. Our Police Gazetre and yellow posed that the war would be all one way, journals are Sunday school tracts beside The lower classes of the Spanish down here it. In this paper there are weekly iffustraare like the lower classes in Spain. They tions of the war, the Americans always bebelieve that the Spaniards are the strongest ing pictured as hogs. Here President Mcand bravest people of the world, and until Kinley is cartooned as the king of the hogs. now had no idea that the Yankees, as they In the last issue, which lies before me, the

chief carboon is an illustration of the anger the Spanish feel at the friendly relations of America and England. It consists of a picture of Queen Victoria wearing a crown and a baby on her lap, while she acts the part "You Yankees are fools to make war of wet nurse to him. Below is a Spanish rhyme, which reads:

"McKinley, you have found a good nurse She will satisfy your hunger and thirst a spit and on the other side are Spanish United States. It is largely through his other nineteen, but I am pretty sure I can soldiers cutting up hogs. This is labeled influence and his quiet diplomatic way of lick you here and now if you want to try "Public Slaughter House of Yankee Pigs." treating things that the tone of the Chillan The legation here is not guarded and the sachusetts, as was falsely reported here, supporters in their editorials. He has prominister goes about freely. I am told, how- Pieces of gun and pieces of pork are duced an excellent impression in the official ever, that an American had better keep his flying through the air. This is but one circles of the Chilian capital, and, though eyes open as he goes through the streets at issue of the paper. If it were not so disgust- he is an ardent American, he seems to be night. A prominent Englishman of Iquique ing it might be laughable. Other issues are abundantly able to hold his own and not warned me that I might get a stab in the even worse. Some are absolutely too vile offend the sensitive pro-Spanish Chilians. back or a blow with a stone if I were not to be described. The Spanish, however, are At the same time, he has organized the careful. On the east coast, where the feel- anxious to get them, and the circulation of consular service of the country so that full ing is even more bitter than here, police- the sheet has jumped from nothing to over reports of all vessels likely to be used

Rio Janiero. I understand it is not the case | country is full of Spanish sympathizers. | warded to Washington. Mr. Wilson is one Buenos Ayres. The different South The Chilians as a nation are for Spain as of the young men in the diplomatic service American governments, though they secretly against the United States. They have had He is just 40, and his present office is the sympathize with Spain, are doing what they no love for us since the Baltimore and first he has ever held. He is a brother an to control the Spaniards among their the Blaine-Trescott affairs, and many of of United States Senator John L. Wilson They permit, however, all kinds them really believe that we expect eventu- an Indianian by birth, his father having meetings, processions, etc., and if Spain ally to conquer not only the best of the been a member of congress and at the time ould gain a victory there would be bon- West Indies, but that we are ambitious to of his death United ires and general rejoicing. They allow all control the whole of South America as well. | Venezuela. After studying law in Indianorts of vile sheets to be distributed car- At the time President McKinley declared apolis and acting for a time as the proprieconing the Americans, and posters are now war with Spain popular meetings were held ut up in the leading South American cities in Valparaiso and Santiago, and 1,000,000 Mr, Wilson went to Washington and settled dvertising a new cigarette by which the pesos, or over \$350,000 of our money, was at Spokane. Here he engaged in banking. panish when they smoke it think they are contributed to the Spanish cause. Proces- and within a few years made a fortune. This is called "El Chancho cigarette" or marched through the streets yelling "Death

> Plot to Blow Up War Ships. It was at this time that a plot was formed

much money out of pork. At any rate "Los and Marietta in the harbor of Valparaiso, ican schools. Yankees" and "Los Chanchos" are com- It was known that these ships were on He Played the Star Spangled Banner. monly used here by the lower Spanish in their way here, and it had been stated that arette cartoons as big as a table cloth, rep- raiso who is skilled in making submarine

our consul, Mr. Caples of Valparaise, by a States and praising the Spaniards. pro-American-Chilian, and he at once communicated it to Mr. Henry L. Wilson, the Such is the poster which a friendly na- United States minister here. Mr. Wilson equally bad. On one side is what is sup- and laid the details of the matter, as far posed to be a picture of our congress. One | as he knew them, before him. These denos Ayres showing the intense hatred the hog, as speaker, in the national colors it tails were not complete, but they showed but at this writing the interpreter still Spanish there feel for the United States, haranguing other hogs who sit at the the existence of a compact organization draws his salary as the organist. It is bad enough here, but there it is worse. desks below. On the other side are pictures, and studied plan. The intendente was at first inclined to doubt the accuracy of the information, but at the same time said of Spain. It has more than 300,000, and pieces. Other cigarette pictures show naval that he would investigate the matter fully

the vessels protected. He put his detectives at work and later on told our minister that There is a leading pictorial weekly of his information was correct, and that the this plot and any other that might be formed from being carried out. He orharbor, and when the Marietta arrived, the Oregon having remained outside, no boats were allowed to come near it except after the inspection and with the approval of the Chilian officers. This patrol about it during the three days it lay here. Upon his return to Santiago Minister Wilson expressed to the minister of foreign affairs his appreciation of the prompt action of the intendente and his officials. Had the plot succeeded it would have been difficult for the government to have satisfactorily holding our president, the pig McKinley, as explained its non-connection with it, and a great deal of credit should be given to Minister Wilson and Consul Caples for their

prompt action Our Minister to Chill.

I find that Henry L. Wilson, the United Further over on the sheet is a picture of States minister here, is doing much to beta Spanish general roasting a lot of pigs on ter the relations between Chiri and the In addition there is another hog cartoon de- press has changed, and several of the Sanscribing the bursting of a gun on the Mas- tiago papers have become almost Yankee as soon as they enter the various harbors tor and manager of the Lafayette Journal. sions of Spaniards and Spanish sympathizers. He suffered reverses, however, during the recent panic, and had just begun the making of a second fortune when President

McKinley asked him to represent the United !

tiago, having a large house in the most

fashionable part of the capital. His wife

States here. He lives very nicely in San-

In connection with the pro-Spanish feelreferring to us. Posted throughout the city they would stop at Valparaiso. Explosives ing here a rather amusing incident occurred ever built, and when he died he was putting of Buenos Ayres are sheets, colored cig- were purchased, and an Italian of Valpa- in one of the Catholic churches the a tunnel into the mountain of Cerro de other day. The interpreter of our legation Pasco to strike and drain the great silver resenting President McKinley as a hog be- weapons of destruction was employed to is a fine organist and his services are in de-HOG CIGARETTES AND HOG CARTOONS | ing marched off to prison by two Spanish prepare them for use. It was intended to mand at several of the best churches of sofdiers. The hog is dressed in the stars place these under the two vessels if possi- Santiago. While he was in attendance at and stripes, the red, white and blue of our ble and blow them to pieces while lying in one of them several weeks ago, when the termine. His friends say he was, and they war spirit was at its height, the priest dehim and tears drop from his eyes as he is port. The plot was, however, revealed to livered a sermon denouncing the United Yankee organist could not, of course, reply in words, although his soul was filled with told today of a lottery scheme which it is indignation, but as the congregation rose to tion allows to be put upon the bill boards at once took the train for Valparaiso. He go he played the Star Spangled Banner walking along the Alameda and admiring of its capital. The cigarette boxes are called upon the intendente, or governor, with all the force that he and the great organ could supply. I do not know that the tune was a familiar one to the priest,

> America and Chill. The feeling here against the Yankees, as

they call us, is largely due to the ignorance of the Chilians as to our people, and to the remembrance that Chili had to apologize for the outrageous treatment of our sailors in the Baltimore affair. The Chilians are | times were hard for more than their cost." intensely patriotic. They have a right to be proud of their long, little country, and they think so much of it that, as I have said, the masses of them fear that we want to conquer it for ourselves. They cannot imagine a war that is not waged for conquest or revenge, and they laugh at the idea that the United States has been fighting Spain, not from a desire for Cuba, but for the sake of humanity. On the other hand those Chilians who have been to the and held on to his houses. The people were United States are our strongest friends. mad, but nothing was done." Men like Carlos Rogers, a wealthy business man of Santiago, who was present at the opening of the Philadelphia museum Beeche of Beeche & Co. Valparaiso; Jorge Asta-Buruaga, ex-secretary of the Chilian legation at Washington, and every other Chilian diplomat who has been stationed in the United States are our friends and supporters. What the two peoples need is only a closer acquaintance to become business associates and fast friends. Chili might, by a little courting, enty years. give us the advantage in a commercial and manufacturing line in many ways, and that

to our profit. What Americans Have Done in Chili. Chili, in fact, owes a great deal to the Crimean war. Yankees. The first of her railroads was planned and constructed by a Yankee, and his was the first railroad built in South America. Her first great steamship line was founded by a Yankee, named Wheel- cuse to see the boys off for camp. right, who brought his scheme to New York, but could find no one to support it. He then went to London and there organized the Pacific Steam Navigation company, which has the most powerful fleet on the west coast. It has sixty steamers, including tenders, plying between Valparaiso and all the ports to the Isthmus of Panama, and also a steamship line between Valparalso and Liverpool. It should pay big dividends, for with the Chilian South American Steamship company, with combines, it has the monopoly of the freight and passenger travel and charges the highest rates. The railroad between Valparaiso and Santiago, a little over 100 miles, was built by an American, Henry Meiggs, who tents. constructed also many other roads in Peru. Meiggs came first to Chili from California. His partner there had ruined him financially and he ran away to avoid arrest, owing some \$40,000. He arrived in Peru almos penniless, but got the contract for this road by offering to build it for about half the amount asked by some English engineers. He made money out of it, and from that time he became one of the greatest con-

tractors south of the isthmus. He built

other roads and made fortunes out of them.

dollars. He built the famous Oroya road up the Andes, back of Lima, which is the

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steepest, and I doubt not the costliest, road deposit there. Meiggs was undoubtedly an able man, but whether he was an honest man or not I have not been able to destate that out of his first earnings in Chili he sent back to California the \$40,000 for The which he was indebted. Others say he was tricky, and in this connection I was asserted he worked to his profit. We were the great palaces in which the nabobs of this city live, when my friend said:

> "Yes," said I. "It must have cost a fortune to build in?" "It did," was the reply. "That house belonged to Henry Meiggs. He built two magnificent palaces in Santiago, and in doing so spent, I venture, more than half a million dollars. He sold them, however, when

"Do you see that house there on the cor-

"How did he do in?" "He did it by a lottery scheme in which there were 700,000 tickets offered for sale event as with us. This one was delivered at a dollar apiece. The only prizes were at my door by a formidable looking personthat house and the other, which is further down the street. Well, only 600,600 tickets were sold, and when the drawing was made it was found that the numbers of the prizes were left among the 100,000 unsold Chinese characters were printed in black blanks. So you see Meiggs got his \$600,000 FRANK G. CARPENTER.

THE OLD TIMERS.

The grand duke of Luxemburg and duke of Nassau, though he is 81 years old and the eldest reigning sovereign in Europe, has been on his throne only about ten years. Mrs. Anna H. Norton, who celebrated her 95th birthday recently in Cleveland, is the to request her ladyship to come under their oldest member of the Early Settlers' asso- humble roof, although it is one that the emciation and has lived in that city about sev-Prince Sviaopolk Mirsky, who recently died

at St. Petersburg, became a major-general at the age of 29, and had served in all the wars in which Russia has been engaged since the fight under the stars and stripes four different times—first in 1812, then in 1846, in 1861 and a few weeks ago, when he went to Syra-

The Rev. Wesley Blakely of Keystone, W. Va., is 107 years old. He has preached 7.763 sermons, baptized 6.023 people and married 1.817 couples in eighty-five years. He says he has 1,081 living descendants, embracing five generations. He served in the war of 1812. His first vote was for James Monroe he walked five miles to vote for Mc Kinley.

Herman W. Knickerbocker died in Naper ville, Ill., August 15, at the age of 85 years He was born in Schaghticoke, N. Y. Hi grandfather was a colonel in the revolutionary war, and his father was a colonel in the is still standing. It was constructed 200 years ago of brick brought from Holland. The state of New York appropriates \$1,000 annually for the care of the house and its con-

By the death of John Knight, whose counection with the Royal Gardens dated from 1825. Queen Victoria has lost her oldest servant. He was appointed foreman at the Frogmere pleasure grounds nearly seventy three years ago, and for twenty years he was head gardener to the late duchess of Kent. In 1861 he was transferred from Frogmore to Hampton Court palace, and until 1881, when he retired upon a pension. superintendent of the royal private gardens.

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It is very seldom that an American has an opportunity to relate her impressions of a Chinese feast, for they are shy of inviting the stranger and foreigner to partake of their hospitality. A woman, however, who has recently returned from the east, one that had friends at court and enjoyed many unusual privileges, gave the following description of a banquet that was held in her especial honor:

My invitation to a feast, in the receivng of which I felt myself to be greatly flattered, came to me in a most pronounced form. Such courtesies in China do not blow in with every post and so cease to be an age who came drawn in a rickshaw was in the form of a roll that when untied proved to be one yard and a half long and about eighteen inches in width. on vermilion colored paper. As nearly as the interpretation can be made it read as

"The families of Dong-tien and Chung make their bow and invite her ladyship, the refined Miss Fisk, to an indifferently prepared tea, one that they do not presume to name a feast. It will be given to do her honor at their modest abode on the evening of this same day two weeks later. The families of Dong-tien and Sien-Chung feel it to be highly presumptuous humble roof, although it is one that the emperor has not despised to adorn. It is also source of deep regret to them that the poverty of their home prevents that a more sultable tea should be spread before her ladyship, but there will be thirty-six courses of the best that the market affords and no Lovel Clark of Denmark, N. Y., who is 92 expense will be spared in their preparation. years old, has seen the soldiers march to The answer of her ladyship is awaited with much impatience. Kindly accept and we shall have boundless joy."

> For one unacquainted with Chinese ceremony to attempt to answer such an invitation would be a reckless undertaking and if not done properly might result in the withdrawal of the precious document. By far the wisest plan is to call in a professional in this art, who at small cost will perform the service for one in true Oriental style.

More of the Same.

A few days before the feast another commotion at my door called my attention to the fact that the same individual was stepsimilar looking document to the above. This proved to be a second invitation or reminder of the feast, and read as follows: "The families of Dong-Tien and Sien-Chung make their bow and beg to remind her ladyship, the refined Miss Fisk, that a tea is being prepared for her at their humble abode. The celebration will be on the evening of the third day from this at the hour already set. The families of Dong-Tien and Sien-Chung await with impatience the arrival of her ladyship. Kindly be prompt, that their pleasure may not be de-

To the second invitation an assurance was sent that her ladyship awaited with equal

FEASTING IN ORIENTAL STYLE at the longed-for feast. But the Chinese are cautious and do not rely on the memory of frail humanity. The risk of their delicacles being spoiled by delay is not to be taken. Therefore, about an hour before the feast the same individual, in the same formal manner, left a verbal message at my door to the effect that the families of Dong-

Tien and Sien-Chung were awaiting the gracious arrival of her ladyship. Notwithstanding the pressing state of their impatience, I was assured by all acquainted with their customs that it would be decidedly bad form for me to appear on the scene a second sooner than the appointed time. My astonishment may perhaps be im-

agined when on arriving I found that the feasting, as far as I was concerned, was to be done by proxy. The board of a high Chinaman is too sacred to be polluted by strangers that are unfamiliar with their ways of being polite. A Chinaman whose degree of highness was evident from the splender of his embroideries scraped low before me and signaled to "her refined ladyship" that she was to sit upon a side platform, from where she might have the felicity of observing him occupy with dignity her seat at the table.

"Her ladyship," having expended considerable time and thought in endeavoring to learn the proper wrinkles of Chinese politeness, was slightly piqued at this unexpected arrangement, but as the feast progressed became more reconciled to her posi-

Delicacies Served.

At such a formal function the Chinese talk very little. It is, however, the seme of good breeding to smack the lips loudly and make as much noise as possible when eating. This shows appreciation of the choice viands the hostess has provided. A grievous breach of etiquette would be for one to refuse a dish, in which case the hostess would consider it the proper rebuff to lean forward, grip her chopsticks tightly, and force the rejected morsel into the mouth of the

The first course of an elaborate feast is, when attainable, bird's nest soup. This is almost as great a delicacy as humming birds' tongues. It is not, as is often sup-The soup is made from a mucilageous secretion that the bird makes on the outside of his nest to hold it together, and which is similar in appearance and taste to gelatine, These birds are now becoming rare in China, and before a high feast boys are employed days to hunt their whereabouts.

The last course is the tea making. most elaborate performance this; porcelain of the finest glaze and decoration is and placed before the hostess. She then in a dainty manner, washes and dries each little piece. When this is done to her satisfaction she makes an excuse to leave the room. The guests then arise in turn and examine the fineness of the ware, its markings, and especially notice if, by any chance, a fleck of dust should have been overlooked. When a sufficient time has elapsed the hostess returns and the tea-brewing begins, Five minutes are required for the making of each cup. Its delicious aroma appears to possess a magical effect on the tongues of the Chinese; for from being morose lipsmackers they suddenly become gay and hilarious.

The final ceremony of the feast is to throv all the food that is left under the table, which the dogs are let in to devour. China in this instance retains the ancient custom to which the bible alludes in

The dogs cat of the crumbs that fall from

the master's table."

It is stated that the largest hible in the world is a manuscript Hebrew hible in the

Lord Coleridge thought Cook's Imperial impatience the time appointed to be present fifteen cases to prove his opinion.