

ART OF DIPLOMACY.

EPOCHS IN THE HISTORY OF AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES.

The Cuban Question in the Days of Pierce's Great Secretary, William Marcy—Other Instances of Yankee Tact in Dealing With Foreign Powers.

(By Thomas Burke Grant.)

It is the common belief in Europe that public men in the United States being called to high office through the choice of the people are inferior diplomats to the scions of aristocracy who are usually trained from youth upwards, and for whose order the diplomatic service is one of the great perquisites of state.

Since then Great Britain has been to some extent cured of the erroneous belief which she formerly entertained about the improvised diplomacy of the United States.

But that the belief still holds in other parts of Europe is plain from the sovereignty of Europe, and whose sale of Louisiana indicated that he was a sincere friend of this country, could not always repress this prevailing feeling of European court noodles.

Among those statesmen who have distinguished themselves in this line in former perilous times are a trio whose achievements present events seem to recall—Clayton, Marcy and Seward.

But it must be remembered that when the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was signed, the United States was rent with the rival factions of slavery and anti-slavery; while England having crushed Napoleon was preparing to cope with Russia in the Crimean War.

velopment of the United States and which now make our undivided possession of the Canal a necessity to proper naval connections between both shores of the Continent in time of war.

Of course the treaty was a compromise of undoubted American rights but it was a wise one under the circumstances; for after a war over Texas the United States were in no mood to stand up to Lord Palmerston as we are fortunately now able to do in the case of Lord Salisbury.

The next statesman who overmastered the foreigner and who boldly and successfully maintained American rights was William H. Seward. Of Seward's personality and commanding position the people are fully aware.

But it is the Secretaryship of William L. Marcy in the administration of Pierce that has most interest at the present time and bears more directly than any other upon those stirring events through which we are now passing.

The Order of the Lone Star instituted in 1853 to "liberate Cuba from the despotism of Spain" was very like the Cuban League now organized in the United States for the same purpose.

There was then as now an abiding desire to stiffen the foreign policy of the country, and Marcy, who sent a naturalized Frenchman as Minister to Madrid, gave instruction to sound Spain on the delicate subject of purchasing Cuba.

This was substantially the same position taken by John Quincy Adams, by Clay, by Van Buren, Polk, Webster and Calhoun. Marcy also rigidly insisted that no other power than Spain should be permitted to acquire Cuba under any pretense whatever.

Britain, France and Spain which guaranteed Cuba to Spain. Webster had formerly declared that the United States would never recognize any such treaty.

Suddenly, however, both Marcy and the President changed their position on the whole Cuban question. This was on May 31, 1854. The people were exasperated but powerless to give effect to their deep convictions.

But though local jealousies thus prevented the liberation of Cuba, in 1854, the policy of Marcy was well worthy of a country, and it was one which Napoleon's Ministers, with all their ingrained acumen and natural sympathy for Spain, were unable to withstand.

England's New Vaccine Methods. London has just recently adopted the calf-lymph for vaccinating purposes, and has prohibited by stringent regulations all other methods.

The new method of getting the vaccine lymph is described by a London expert, as follows: "To prepare a surface for the insertion of the lymph, the right side of the animal is thoroughly scrubbed with soap and hot water, and then shaved over an area extending between the internal edges of the fore and hind limbs and from some four or five inches below the spinal ridge to the umbilicus.

"A number of superficial incisions, each about one inch long, are then made in a direction at right angles to the long axis of the body, and about a couple of inches from one another. The incisions of the several rows are made on echelon. The lancet employed for the purpose has a spear-headed blade, this shape being specially recommended by M. Chambon.

"When the lymph has dried, the calf is removed from the table and taken back to its stall. "The vaccine material is always collected on the sixth day after inoculation. For this purpose the calf has to be placed again on the table. The lymph is drawn up into a sterilized glass syringe and stored in tubes."

"It is a curious fact," said a physician recently, who was a specialist in nervous diseases, "that, taken as a general rule, all lunatics laugh about twice as much as sane people."

"I know a tree," said the farmer to the learned professor, "what never had a leaf or bud, and yet there's nuts on it."

The man who paints his address on his umbrella is very likely to be robbed of his good name.

The merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla is literally written in blood. It is traced in the vital fluid Of millions of the human race.

Party Emblems.

It is interesting to note the various emblems adopted by parties in the various countries. Probably the most popular emblem nowadays in England is the primrose of April 19th.

On the day of Parnell's death his followers wear a sprig of ivy. Jacobites sport oak leaves on Royal Oak day, May 29th, and ever since the birthday of James III, in 1688, they have worn white roses on June 10th.

In France, Orleanists wear white daisies, and followers of the house of Bourbon ("les Blancs d'Espagne") wear white carnations.

Nowadays anti-Semites in Algeria have taken the cornflower as their badge, but in Austria this party always wears a white carnation.

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By virtue of a writ of F. Fa., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 1898, at two o'clock p. m., all that certain house and lot of ground situate on Fifth street, in the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a corner of an alley on the south side of Fifth street, thence along said Fifth street to lot of George Kihler; thence along lot of said George Kihler to Pearl street; thence along said Pearl street to alley aforesaid, and thence along said alley to place of beginning, whereon is erected a

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By virtue of a writ of alias venditioni exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Penna., and to me directed there will be exposed to sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg on

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 1898, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, all that certain message, tenement and tract of land situate in the township of Catawissa, County and state aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows to-wit: A valuable farm situate in Catawissa township about one-half mile from the borough of Catawissa, adjoining lands of the Catawissa Fibre Co., William Berninger, Zachariah Kretschmer, J. B. Knittle, Emanuel Helwig, Simon Haupt and others, containing

EIGHTY ACRES!

more or less. It is known as the "Tice Gingles farm." Whereon is erected a good two-story FRAME DWELLING HOUSE! Bank Barn, Spring House and all necessary out-buildings. The buildings are all in excellent repair. Two small never-falling spring runs flow through the farm, there is an abundant supply of spring water at the barn and a fine well and spring at the house. There is a fine young apple orchard of choice fruit, a peach orchard, and an abundance of pears, plums and other fruit. There is also a

QUARRY OF BUILDING STONE of superior quality partly opened. Fifty acres of the land is in a high state of cultivation, the balance being in timber. The farm is a most desirable one, being close to market, schools, churches, stores, mills, etc., and not over a mile from the Catawissa stations on the Penna. Phil. & R. and D. L. & W. Railroads.

The land above described being a portion of the same tract of land which Wm. McKelvey by indenture dated the 7th of December, 1872 conveyed to Charles W. McKelvey, and which said portion was conveyed to I. W. McKelvey by John W. Hoffman Sheriff of said county and reserving the right and privilege to enter the land passing on and along the north-east side of the pond erected to gather water for the paper mill, and the right to keep and maintain a ditch for the purpose of carrying off the surface water that might now into the aforesaid pond through the lower end of the garden at the dwelling house, then carry the same through the culvert under the Catawissa Railroad.

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