Guba's President

Interesting Career of Tomas Estrada Palma, Who Is Fighting an Insurrection-A Veteran of the Ten Years' War.



Cuba has been under the limelight since the outbreak of the insurrection in the Pearl of the Antilles. When Senor Palma assumed the reins of government on the evacuation of the island by the American forces in 1902 he took upon himself a task of ex-

GENERAL NUNEZ ceptional difficulty. It was the first time the Cubans bad had the opportunity of making an experiment as to their capacity for self government. They had been under the oppression of Spain up to the time of American intervention and except during the brief period of the American occupation had enjoyed little tutelage in the duties of administering the affairs of government. Under these circumstances Senor Palma took the helm of the ship of state. He succeeded for four years in steering it away from the rocks of insurrection. During this period of peace, stable government and civic order prosperity came to the island in a degree never known before

The friends and admirers of President Palma claim that a large part of the credit for all this belongs to the quiet, scholarly man who holds the chief executive office of the republic. President Palma is considered to have shown his firmness in his recent refusal to compromise with enemies of the government and his disposition to mercy by his offer of amnesty to all insurrectos who would lay down their arms. In this proclamation he declared:

Poor I returned to my country as president and poor shall I return to private life. I shall, however, have a clear recursion of the shall be a and a good name. I am disposed to exhaust my forces and shed my blood if necessary in helping to strengthen the foundations of our prosperous republic.

President Palma was seventy-one years of age on the 9th of last July,



PRESIDENT T. ESTRADA PALMA.

but is still in good mental and physical strength. His left eye droops a little, as twenty-five years ago it was nipped by a bullet which plowed a furrow in his skull. He carries another memento of the Spaniards on his strong but kindly face-a bare spot on his upper lip, which divides his mustache. The bullet that made the bare spot carried away some of his teeth. He was one of the foremost leaders during the long drawn out Ten Years' war from 1868 to 1878. During part of this time be was president of Cuba under the provisional government established by the patriots. The only difference this dignity made to him was that it caused the Spaniards to be more anxious to capture bim. This they succeeded in doing in 1877, and he was for a time imprisoned in Havana and in Spain. On his release be came to the United States and for some years conducted a school in central New York for Cuban and South American boys. President Palma has been criticised by some for not ruling with a stronger band and maintaining a larger military force for the support of the Cuban government. When he was about to assume the presidency Senor Palma

There will be no high state in the executive house at Havana. Even if I wished to surround myself with bodyguards and to support any such useless ornamentation. I shall set the example of economy by managing the affairs of the island with the very least assistance possible

General Emilio Nunez, who narrowly escaped assassination recently, is governor of Havana province and was a bosom friend of the late General Maximo Gomez He was a Liberal. but withdrew from the convention of the latter party when a president was elected four years ago, and the following with which he has been identified, calling themselves Liberal Nationalists, have been allies of the Moderates. He was eighteen years old when ex-president of the United States is he took the field in the cause of free still a handsome woman, as the ac-Cubs at the beginning of the Ten Years' war, and he was prominent as a flibuster during the revolution which began in 1895.

THE SAGE OF THE GRANGE. Goldwin Smith, One of Canada's Grand Old Men.

Canada is a country of grand old men, for the ideas attributed to Dr. Osler are less popular there than in the United States, and men who have reached old age are not so likely to go on the shelf in the Dominion as in some other parts of the world. Goldwin Smith, who has just celebrated his THE character of eighty-third birthday, is one of these President T. Es. grand old men, and he is active in trada Palma of affairs and a hard literary worker, though he passed the chloroforming age twenty-three years ago. He is known as the Sage of the Grange, the Grange being his home in Toronto, a picturesque place, patterned on the country houses of old England, built in 1817. Here Goldwin Smith has lived since 1871, when he took up his residence



PROFESSOR GOLDWIN SMITH.

in Canada. That was thirty-five years ticipant in public affairs.

It was at Reading, in Berkshire, England, that he was born on Aug. 13, 1823. Sixty years ago he was a contributor to the Saturday Review. Forty-eight years ago he was a professor of history at Oxford. A few years later he published books which greatly influenced British opinion on the subject of the slavery question in the United States and the struggle between the north and the south.

Professor Smith was King Edward's tutor when the latter studied at Oxford, yet be is perhaps the foremost advocate of republican principles in the Britsh empire. Though he comes of an aristocratic family, he despises titles and would never accept one for himself. He belped Ezra Cornell to lay the foundations of the university called by the latter's name and almost thirty years ago was a professor in this institution. He thinks so much of it now that he has promised it the use of his brain after he is through with it himself. But he is in no hurry to give it up, and the fact that he is still producing books and contributes several columns of matter on current topics each week to the press indicates that this organ is still of normal capacity. His memories extend back to the early part of the last century, and

I remember the rejoicings in England over the referm bill. I remember seeing the farm buildings near my father's house burned by raiders who opposed the intro-duction of thrashing machines. I well remember as a lad seeing the servants light the fire with a tinder box. I have seen a man in the stocks. I have heard the cur-

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