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American has a far better knowledge of the politics, people, history, and material progress of the United States. Let us therefore take measures to reciprocate and so increase this interest. The present is most opportune for inaugurating a new era in the study of Latin America, because, under the Administration of President Roosevelt and his announced policy, in whom and which the Latin States have great confidence, remarkable progress is sure to be made in evolving better international relations.

I wish that the students of our colleges and universities would take up the study of the Spanish language as they do French and German, and another year I hope to offer corresponding prizes to promote the study of that tongue, which in the future may be more useful to the young American than either French or German.

In submitting this offer, I desire to name yourself, Dr. Albert Shaw, and President John H. Finley, if you and they will serve, as a committee to arrange and promulgate the terms and limits of the competition. Whatever expense is attached to acquainting the various colleges with the offer and completing arrangements for a successful competition I shall gladly meet.

The sum might be divided, if you think best, into three prizes, respectively of \$100, \$75, and \$50, but I do not insist upon it. Yours very respectfully.

JOHN BARRETT,  
American Minister.  
(N. Y. Times.)

### Many Apply for Cutts' Berth.

The following was taken from the *Police Gazette*.

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 14.— [Special.]—Since the announcement of Coach Oliver F. Cutts that he will not return to Purdue next year, a number of prominent football coaches have applied to the athletic board for the position.

Herrnstein, the former Michigan star, and "Pop" Golden, who has coached the Pennsylvania State College eleven for the last five seasons, are being favorably considered by the athletic association, and a decision between the two will probably be reached in a few days.

Herrnstein is still in the city awaiting an answer from the athletic authorities. He played half back on the Michigan eleven for two years and coached the Haskell Indians during the seasons 1903 and 1904. Last year his team defeated Nebraska, placing Herrnstein among the best coaches in the west.

Golden has turned out good elevens at The Pennsylvania State College for the last five years. Krupp, a player of reputation in the far west, writes from Colorado that he would like to coach the boilermakers, and Victor Place, a former Dartmouth player, has also put in an application.

Cutts has decided to locate in Seattle Wash., to practice law.

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