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# The Official Assassins of Mexico

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and frequently gives orders to the regular troops While because of govatively lew crimes of the jefes politicos become public, yet during my most recent visit to Mexico-during the winter and spring of 1909-two wholesale killings which were prompt reported in the newspapers of that down in the streets and a number variously estimated at from twelve tion's will converted into action. to thirty-two were arrested, lined up previously with their own hands.

tive Catholic daily of the capital on April, was as follows: 'Terrible accounts, have reached

this capital as to what is taking place at Tehnitzingo, District of Acatlan, state of Puchla. It is insistently reported that sixteen citizens have been executed without trial and that many others will be condemned to twenty years' confinement in the fortress of San Juan de Ulua.

"What are the causes that have given rise to this barbarous persecution which has dyed our soil anew with the people's blood?

"It is the flerce, infamous caciquismo which oppresses the people with a heavy yoke and which has deprived them of all the benefits of

"We ask, in the name of law and o humanity, that this hecatomb cease: we ask that the guilty parties be fairly and caimly tried according to the law. But among those guilty parties should be included those who provoked the disturbance, those who drove the people to frenzy, trampling on their rights. If the jefe politico an election, he is guilty or more guilty than the rioters and ought to be made to appear with them before the authorities to answer for his acts."

as is ever permitted to appear in a Mexican publication, and there are few papers that would dare go this far. Had El Pais wished to charge the guilt to General Diaz as the founder and perpetuator of the little czardom of the jefes politicos. it would not have dared to go so, for in Mexico the king can do no wrong; there is no publication in the country strong that it would not be suppressed at once did it directly criticize the head of the government. The comment of El Tiempo, another leading conservative daily of the capital, on the Velardeña massacre, which appeared also in April, follows:

"These irregular executions are a

cause of profound dissatisfaction and ought to be put a stop to at once for the sake of the presuge of the au thorities; and in order to attain that end it is necessary that the authors of such outrages should be severely chastised, as we hope that those who are responsible for the sanguinary scenes that have been witnessed at Velardeña, and which have occasioned so much horror and indignation throughout the republic, will be. memory, there is the Papantla affair, the affair at Acayucan, the shootings at Orizaba at the time of the strike. the shootings at Colima, of which the press has been talking just of late, and the frequent application of the ley fuga of which the most recent instance occurred at Calimaya, Tenan-

go, state of Mexico" cautious terms that it will require a suffering from today. careful reading to bring out the full ftem:

bute to Estrada Cabrera.

chants of the place.

suffer for his crime.

and took them to the police station, cial Villasenor would have been brain of man,

# To the Proletarians

brawn, the muscle of steel of a pa- costly linen and silks, and half naked May 26, 1909, we were taken to hours in the manner I have described.

and shot, and buried in trenches come, and, more than that, to win, for your families you hardly get a selves among some three hundred features of our daily life, after which which they had been compelled to dig and through blood and fire it will beggar's crust. Houses you build other convicts a large number hav- I shall invite my readers to pass with A comment of El Pais, a conserva- the jackals who all through the long you live. The costly metals you tear prison at Florence, which, was then moved at the end of three months night of thirty-four years have fed on from the bowels of the earth at the nearing completion. We were put and twenty days. In prison days seem the Tehnitzingo affair, published in the life blood of the people are cele- daily risk of your lives serve but to through the inevitable and inexpressi- often years, and the slow march brating their Belshazzar's feast, render more powerful your masters, bly repugnant prdeal of being time is marked with anxious accuracy. But, then, will that be all there is to and for that your chains only the stripped, examined for future identiit? It can not be. It seems absurd heavier, and the harder to bear. The fication, photographed and clad in to have to go to such extremes of sac- more you produce, the poorer you be- stripes, after which we were assigned rifice only for the capricious notion come, and the less free, for the simple to our cells and to the shops in which of changing masters!

You must needs arise, but in full con-political rights pertain only to those employment in the laundry.

tles for your own selves. place in power another robber who and that is economic liberty. take up arms for no other object than liberty. to unseat Diaz-to put into his seat an-

This is about as violent an outburst! other master. : The gigantic, almost scientific, oppression suffered by the Mexican peonle, the desperation palpitating in all as a natural result of such oppression, have generated in the saddened sou of the people one single ambition: get a change of the men in the control of the government. The men power today are not supported; they are hated with the concentrated strength of a hatred borne long and felt in the innermost recesses of the heart, and the almost fixed idea of a change of men at the helm of the government has narrowed down the ideals of the people, the principles of political salvation have been subordi- fact that you are the producers of the nated to the only desire, the appa- riches of the nation you have rently last straw: a change in the only the right merely to live but also heads of the public administration. to enjoy all the material comforts, all An infinitely sad example of this truth the moral and intellectual benefits ap-double cells. Within a space of 10x8 is given in that insane enthusiasm, in propriated today exclusively by your that absurd eagerness with which was masters, you will not have fulfilled accepted the candidacy of one of the your historic mission as a class. most perverted public officials, of one You will not have accomplished of the most cruel butchers ever har- really revolutionary work as such is bored by the Mexican nation—the understood by your brethren of toil candidacy of Bernardo Reyes.

candidate, the people did not think the producing class the bourgeosie In the least of the calibre of the man will harvest the cream of your sacricedents. Only to mention a few of ple seemed to be interested in was a you, the fruits of your painful suffer-the cases that are fresh in the public change of personnel. The desperate ing, just as they reap today the prodspirit of the people appeared to have uct of your toil and lay hold upon crystallized into but a few sentences: your health, upon your very lives in which six of us were confined, was 'Whoever it may be, be it some one the future, in factory and field, other than Diaz." And as the people work shop and mine. felt about leing pushed into the threatening jews of an abyss, it your mind that you are entitled to due to causes I shall treat of later. reached out for a protection and got more rights than those guaranteed by Added to which was the fact that this hold of a red-hot nail for the coffin of the political constitution of 1857 old adobe building swarmed with verit last vestige of liberty—the cardi which is to be re-established, and get min to an extent without parallel In closing this chapter I can hardly dacy of Reyes. Fortunately, Reyes especially clear on the point that by in my experience. Truly my bedroom do better than to quote an item that is not only full of ambition, but also the mere fact of your existence as was no place of rest. appeared in the Mexican Herald, the too much of a coward to look Diaz in a part of the human race you possess In the workshop it was somewhat leading daily published in English, the face and to fight him. And that the inalienable right to happiness, better, although the heat there was February 15, 1910 Though the facts, cowardice alone saved the Mexican Happiness is not the exclusive patri- most trying, and we were under the were perfectly authenticated, the people from the fate of having to un- mony of your masters, but also yours, supervision of a degenerate Mexican, Herald dared print the story only on dergo an ever more cruel tyranny, an and that with far greater justification who made himself exceedingly disa-

To prevent such lamentable aberra- ness.

Men of labor, listen. The time ap- laws. To pretend to forestall a revoproaches when the peace of infamy, lution is an insane notion which can under which the common people of only be harbored by the small group Mexico have had to suffer for over 30 of people interested in the forestalling years, will be broken. The calm of of such upheaval. And as the revo-

tion's will converted into action.

You go through life. You reap all Yuma, where the state penitentiary In my next letter I shall explain the from higher up.

Unremittingly the revolution is to the golden harvest of the field, but ome, and, more than that, to will, for your families you benefit at a solver and our punishments in use and other salient of the field. There we found our punishments in use and other salient from higher up. reason that you give to your masters we were to work. Magon and I were Men of labor, friends, listen then. more riches and more liberty, and the set to talloring and Rivera was given

Impress in your minds once for all Political liberty requires as an adthe truth, that to shed blood only to junct another liberty to be effective, sought to defy the law by dictating oppresses the people is nothing but a rich enjoy economic liberty as well

When the organizing board of the Mexican Liberal Party formulated its program as issued from St. Louis, Mo., on July 1, 1906, it was firmly animated by the conviction, which it guarded with a loving heart and which it holds today, that political liberty must go together with economic liberty to become effective. For these reasons the program and platform enumerate and explain the measures to be employed in order to enable gradually the Mexican proletariat to conquer, within the guarantees of the law and of the constitution, its economic independence.

If in the coming struggle you do not carry conviction that by the sole in more civilized countries.. If you When that man was proclaimed are not conscious of your rights of

horror of the deed. Here is the tion from the path of your duty, men All that is left to me now is to ex- out sixteen shirts a day, a task that of labor, you must needs think, and hort you not to lose heart. I see in I found myself able to accomplish in The Pals gives the following story, think well and deep. The revolution you the fixed purpose to start upon a about eight hours, at the beginning the details of which it qualifies as too must come and will come. Neither revolution, body and soul, to wipe of my term. "Luis Villasenor, prefect of Cual- by nature of its own weight, obedient upon the common people of Mexico, hands of an unscrupulous overseer, follows: coman, Michoacan, recently shot to the laws of gravitation. Human so the tyrany of Porfirio Diaz. Your and that there was a constant tendenwithout trial an old man because his clety passes from revolution to rev

tim in this case was Ignacio Chavez ture Jose or to learn where he was, honest and sincere man. But up to their "good time." As federal priso- tives Foster, of Vermont; Slayden, day peaceable aspect of a scientific Guizar, one of the principal mer- had made the father and brother you it is to see to it in your conscious- ners, it was possible, by good beha- of Texas; Denby, of Michigan; Judge election. We are reminded of a "Some days ago a member of the . "Commenting on the story, the Pais and sustained by your warm life rate of New York; Gen der to open the eyes of some foreignrural police arrived at the house of calls for the punishment of the au- blood, be yours also to the fruits of tunately earned the full allowance, eral Harrison Gray Otis, of California, ers, students threw some loaves of the deceased in a state of intoxication thor and the guarantee of the car- the victory. It is up to you to think but the rules are so numerous and and Charles Alexander Rook, of bread amongst the fake citizens and began to insult and abuse the rying out of the laws of the country." of your familles as well with the are changed so frequently that con- Pennsylvania. family, A quarrel succeeded in Just read this again, please, to get firmness of mind resulting from the victs against whom keepers have a Ex-Governor Curtis Guild, of Mass scramble for the crumbs revealed the Per annum ..... \$2.00 which the policeman was shot by Jose its full import. If this incident had clear conviction that you and your grudge are practically helpless. More-sachusetts, will go as personal representation that you are practically helpless. More-sachusetts, will go as personal representation that you are paraders occurred in the United States, of brethren of toil, and the dear ones over, the prison was run on the stool- sentative of the president; Represent for Diaz: famished soldiers and "The prefect of police arrived on course—in any state, country, or mu-standing by you'in all times, good or pigeon system, those william H. Howard, who was a starvation whipped peons. the scene of the trouble and arrested nicipality-Jose Chavez, if caught, bad, have an firmly established right the part of spies and furnish the of-member of the commission, asked to the father and another son, Benjamin, would probably have been freed on to share in all the benefits of the ficers with information, being placed be relieved of the assignment. The the slayer having made his escape, grounds of self-defense, and the offi- civilization created by the brawn and in positions of authority. It goes vacancy was filled by the designation

That was the last seen of them. Soon given the extreme penalty. If the two Proletarians, do not forget that you are essentially moral degenerates, and the people of the town began to in- victims of the jefe had been peons or will be the nerve and sinew of the rev- they are almost always sexual degen- Guggenheim and Otis representaquire what had happened to them. wage-workers the story would never olution. Go to the struggle not like erates also, of the most appalling tive for the American people. What The story was spread that they had have spread beyond the town of Cual- cattle led to slaughter; but upright type. To this most unpleasant phase a roaring farce. They may be repres escaped from prison. But a relative, coman, but as it was no punishment like men in full consciousness of all of prison life I shall be compelled to sentative for the United States gove a nephew of the deceased father, hav- was meted out to the double mur- their rights. Go to the battlefield, refer to again. ing a certain suspicion that this derer. He went free, as did also the enter the portais of history to make Much as we suffered from the heat own personal experience. story was not true, opened what ap- perpetrators of the killing at Velar- history of your own in the workshops our position was There is satisfaction in the thought peared to him a recently made grave dena and Tehultzingo. These men selves, for your own class, and with it better than that of the great mass of that at least one man had stamina. near the police station and there went free because it is the policy of for all. Glory awaits you, impatiently convicts who were employed at pick and sufficient self-respect to ask to found the corpses of the two men who Diaz to keep the blood appetites of looking for the moment to see you and shovel work, breaking rock and be relieved from the moral insult to had been recently arrested. The pre- his official murderers always whetted break your chains upon the thick making adobe, which is sold by the have to assist in the gigantic bluff at friends have taken steps to get Govfect, not having been able to cap- keen for his political enemies.

The pre- his official murderers always whetted break your chains upon the thick making adobe, which is sold by the have to assist in the gigantic bluff at friends have taken steps to get Govcraniums of your butchers and hang- state for building purposes. These whitewashing of the Nero of Mexico, friends have taken steps to get Gov-

RICARDO FLORES MAGON.

## Keminiscences Prison Life

today is but the potentiality of the in- lution must needs come, and as no- tentiary actually is; how the authori- worked the evil was increased enorsurrection of tomorrow, but the still- body and nothing can hold it back ties treat those committed to their mously by the diet on which we subness ahead of the storm to come. The on its road, it is a good thing for you custody; the effect such treatment sisted. It consisted atmost exclusiverevolution before us is merely the in- men of labor to learn how to draw has on phisoners during their deten- ly of soup, unspeakable in character evitable logical outcome of the thou- for your class from that great upris- tion and the (influence it exercises on and impossible to describe; of bread sand and one acts of iniquity consti- ing of a people all the advantages it their future careers-all, these are which was frequently sour, and of a Of the official assassins of Mexico tuting the despotism which we see will carry with it, and which will be branches of one great subject respect- mixture absurdly dignified with the the jefe politice is the mich fiend. The now in the desperate straights of ag- reaped by the bourgeoisie, if, uncon- ing which the public is at least be- name of coffee. Occasionally we had jete politico commands the local po- ony. The revolution must needs come scious of your rights of the class pro- ginning to exhibit a keen and most a little meat. We were all accuslice and rurales, directs the acordada unavoldably, fatally with the certi- ducing all social riches, you should necessary curiosity. For in these, as tomed to the simplest fare and were tude that we see the sun arise anew to content yourselves in the contest to be in a mirror, is portrayed the attitude in good health when we entered the the government at the height of the of infamy laid him low with one shot scatter the anguish of the night. And merely machines of murder and of de- of the strong toward, the weak, the prison, but all three of us soon began ernment control of the press, compat- | you, the men of labor, you will be the struction instead of harboring in your | wealthy toward the poor; those in to suffer from stomach troubles and bone and sinew and muscle and heart brains the clear and distinct idea of power toward those completely at Magon and Rivera became ultimately blood, the strength of the revolution, the emancipation of your class, and of their mercy. In a word, prison ex-very sick, the former spending two Your arms will take up the gun of your growing into a social power. periences are vital chapters in the weeks in the hospital. revindication, your blood will redden Bethink yourselves well of the past, history of social life. In propose, the soil of our native land like blos- you men of labor, that you are the therefore, to give, as simply and 6 o'clock we rose, made our beds, and ed by the jeres politicos were widely soms of fire. If eyes shed tears of only producers of all things. Houses truthfully as possible, an account of were marched to breakfast. Followsadness, of widowhood, it will be your and palaces, the railroads and the my own incarceration in the Arizona ing this came the disgusting job mothers', your wives' beloved, and ships on the high seas, the factories penitentiaries at Yuma and Florence, emptying slops and at 47 we zingo, where sixteen citizens were your daughters' eyes that will shed and the fields of harvest, all these As is well known to most of our taken to the workshops. Dinner was executed without trial, and the other them. You will be the heroes, you things are brought into being by the readers, R. F. Magon, L. Rivera and at 11, and as soon as it was over we was that of Velaidena, where, for will form the backbone of that many efforts of your creative hands, and yet myself were sentenced, after innumer- went once more to work. Supper was holding a street parade in defiance thousand headed giant called insur- you are lacking of all these good able delays, to eighteen months for as 4:30 and at 5 we were locked in of the jefe politice, several were shot rection. You will be the brain and things of the earth. You weave the violation of the neutrality laws; and, our cells, to pass the next thirteen

sclousness of the needs of an epoch, who have things. If then you take to The penitentiary at Xuma was an strong arm represent the spirit of the making an end of the despotism of ing. Entering the great gate which fering from tuberculosis and other beloved to its own people. incurable diseases. Although we ourselves are natives

The of a Southern country the first thing that struck us was the intolerable p. m. the thermometer habitually the tyrant hope to keep quiet degrees, for Yuma is notorious as one their brothers by giving them of the hottest; places on the continent. As the night progressed the bearable, but sleep was often an im- ence" day? possibility owing to the mosquitoes with which the prison swarmed, since the Colorado river flows past its very the prisoners | had | furnished | themkeeps off these intolerable pests it adds greatly to the heat. [ Anyhow single, and Itwelve to each of the six of us were tocked in thir teen hours out of every twenty-four There being barely room to round we were compelled to take to our bunks, where we lay tossing hour by hour in the stifling atmosphere. Talking was forbidden and was dangerous, as the guards were perpetually on the watch. Reading was out of the question. It was a daily thirteenplaced upon the shield. All the peo- fice, the blossoms of the blood shed by hours' inferno of compulsory inac-Consider also that a toilet was an

unknown luxury; that the cell, in in furnished with a single slop-pail, Men of labor, keep thus firmly in all suffered from stomach trouble

the authority of another paper, and it infinitely more savage oppression-if on your part because from your hands greeable. I myself worked under

without saying that men of that stamp of Representative Slayden."

to twelve hours daily, and cases of American press and magazines durated sunstroke were by no means infre- ing the last three years ought to withquent. I think the prison doctor, hold any self-respecting citizen of a who came daily, was a fair man and supposed to be free republic from partried to do his best, but the officials ticipating in official orgies paid with in charge showed little mercy and a the blood and life of a down-trodden produced Pizano of its own. The vicprisoner had to be sick well-nigh to enslaved people. death before they sent him to the hos-

Utterly unsanitary as were the con-What life in an American peni- ditions under which we slept

This then was our daily life.

penetrate to the lair of beasts where and palaces, but in hovels and garrets ing been moved already to the new us to Florence, whither we were re-

ANTONIO VILLARREAL.

"El Imparcial" tells us from Nuevo and just as urgent it is that you. the revolution with the purpose of old, comparatively small, adobe build- Laredo, Tamaulipas; that three repre- San Jose (Cal.) "Times," and the century. If you fall to be in it with Porficio Diaz, in which you will pierced the high, broad wall, on which sentatives of the Mexican government "San Jose Mercury," The voice of the your brain as well as with your doubtless succeed your victory being armed guards paraded constantly day were expecting the arrival of the for- people will be heard. brawn, the cherished revolution we assured, you will be lucky if through and night, one found oneself facing eign diplomats, who are on the way see approach will not differ in any- that victory you get a government the main buildings, consisting of to the centennial celebration, and States have been furnished with a cirthing from the almost forgotten rethat will put in force again the con- long ranks of single and double cells, will accompany them to the capital. cular asking them to prepare a prodirected by military petty chiefs in you will have obtained, at least in dor. There also were located the liwhich you did not stand out before writing, your civic franchise, your the world as ploneers for a conviction, political liberty. But as a matter of snops. In the corner to the immediate of the immediate of the enemies of Mexican Siberia (the island several of the enemies of the enemies of Mexican Siberia (the island several of the enemies of the enemies of Mexican Siberia (the island several of the enemies of the enemies of the enemies of the enemies of Mexican Siberia (the island several of the enemies of the world as ploneers for a conviction, political liberty. But as a matter of snops. In the corner to the immediand two more battalions are ordered but acted in the ignoble role of no fact you will continue to be a slave ate right were other shops, in that bodies, fit for cannon food. You have like you are today, and like under the to the far right was the woman's defought in the past the revolutions for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment, and at the far left lay the protection of the three representations for present regime you will have but one partment. your masters; learn to fight the bat- right, the right to toil in abject "chronic" yard, devoted to those suf- tives of the Mexican government so

The Diaz government will spend crime, and such crime will be accom- and for that reason in reality they heat. The cells were of stone, what eleven thousand dollars on a dinner more growing criticism of the pres- child in the midst of criminal enplished by you again if you should alone are benefited by political little ventilation there was came from for the soldiers in the army, as a part ent generation. Set the son against vironment, and how will the little whole building, and from 10 a. m. to of the centennial celebration. Does his father, the son with honest, youth- girl stand the fever crimate of the registered in the neighborhood of 120 slaves hired to be shot and to kill square meal with the prospect of temperature became somewhat more other one a century from "Independ-

One million and five hundred thoudoors. No mosquito netting is pro- sand dollars will be spent by the govvided by the authorities, but many of ernment to illuminate the city of palselves with it from their own scanty aces to receive in Mexico City the forpurses. It is doubtful, however, eign delegates of kingdoms and pluwhether the remedy is not worse than tocracies at the centenary of the rethe disease, for while the netting public for which the toilers and the dits who assisted Estrada will now be citizens shed their blood and pay the the masters of the situation to the like the one described above, to the we had many, many sleepless nights. bill today, and yet there are many great satisfaction of Mr. Knox who guests and parasites invited to the There were six or us to each of the millions of human beings in this, our country, who have not enough to keep a kettle boiling, if they have one, and hardly enough of rags to keep their nakedness half-covered. And that one million and five hundred thousand dollars robbed of people to light the palaces will bring no light into the dark abyss of shame to be found right in the midst of our city and would have been far better invested in procuring clothes, food and shelter to all the poor people in the Federal District, or in adding six further public dormitories for the homeless to the ones already in existence. Will this almost oriental display of illumination be strong enough, sufficiently never think that the little govern- see the political prisoners: Juan Sarathe most ancient date, and that we penetrating to keep for one entire week from the eyes of the foreign our editorial table in Los Angeles as Puente, Gabriel Rubio, Juan E. Velazguests of the exploiters of the nation, a practical illustration and an eye- quez, Leonardo Villarreal, Bruno Trethe aspect of the Mexican people, of of its vast massesastheyactually have to live such as are to be met in the hells of despair and abject poverty in the very midst of the illuminated cial" (what is in a name? when the prison of Belem, and ask to see the capital? Will they try to get away price is paid!) the arguments against great writer, Mrs. Carlota Artuna de from their trained guides and see for the demand of an annuliment of the Borrego, and nine other respectable themselves how the common people actually live? Will they find their arms and soldiers in election times of pesthole for the crime of protesting way to the back streets and

gress to represent this government at they fail to add the number of voters monstrons for even Zelaya to attri- the government nor its opponents will away the most shameful and the multiplicity the centennial celebration to be held and citizens killed, jailed or deported be able to hold it back. A body falls hateful despotism that ever weighted of rules placed immense power in the in Mexico City will be made up as to Quintano Roo, or muzzled other probing eyes, and dare the Mexican

son committed a murder. The vic-1 tion, obedient to fixed sociological mankind, the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, description, obedient to fixed sociological mankind, the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, descriptions, and the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, descriptions, and the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, descriptions, and the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, descriptions, and the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, and the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, and the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, and the sympathy of every rules in order that they might lose ford, of South Dakota; Representations, and the sympathy of every rules in order than the sympathy of eve

ness that the revolution made by you havior, to shorten our term at the James w. Gerard, of the Supreme parade in Mexico City, where, in or-

ernment for all we know from our

Prof. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, of the California State University, a widely read gentleman whose attention certain articles in the American press and reviews can hardly have escaped. the national university of Mexico on the one hundredth Independence Day. consciences of the apparently best, but from the ranks of the lowly people seems to rise the voice of a manful, moral protest against such procrastination if we interpret right communications published recently in the one: "it were better for him that a

We read that teachers of the United telling that he has held the confidence ruale led three of the little ones in dependence Day to impress upon the old, whose fair skin and blue eyes deof friendship existing between both countries. Thus the minds of the ris- aroused general sympathy and seeming generation are to be poisoned ed even to move the hardened rurales. from the start to counteract ever What will be the fate of the little the father with his better knowledge. the crafty ruler in the Southland. The child of the Yankee is adulated. the child of the unfortunate poor of his own land sweat blood and profits in 15 or 16 years old are deported to the the slave hells of Mexico's torrid Siberia, Yucatan.

"The traitor general, Juan J. ceeded at last in getting hold of the government of Nicaragua, the unfortim of the insatiable greed of North Americans. The Yankee banat last has reached his aim. Justice centenary farce? and morality are in mourning."

This nice little pill is not the concoction of the morbid brain of a rabida opener to our American friends.

election. They point to the use of women who are being held in that vile see the days of Benito Juarez and Lerdo against the imprisonment of Franthrough the sham and grim mockery de Tejada, and then to the peaceful cisco Madero, the rival candidate who presented the matter is such mild and such be possible—than the one it is come forth all the things that are con- him nine months and Magon through—of a pation in which the great mass aspect of the recent election. They dared to stand against Diaz, and ask ducive in life to comfort and happi- out his term. I was set down to a of a nation in which the great mass forget to add that in those days these further to see the editor, Felix C. sewing machine and expected to turn of the people has no say, no share and steps were taken to save see constituted to turn of the people has no say, no share and steps were taken to save see constituted to see the editor, A. Barrera Peniche tution of the people from the troubles and their political fellow prisoners; fomented by the militant Catholics if that should not be sufficient, go "The commission named by Con- and the anti-patriotic reactionists and wise in every state of our "Republic," government to hinder you from find-Senators Overman, of North Caro- and the number of soldiers ordered

marched to the parade, when a wild

Under the leadership of the jefe ipolitico of Tonala, Chiapas, a highly respected Veracruzan physician, Dr. Adolfo Beltran Lagos was slaughtered by the police of the same city by eighteen Mauser bullets and his body mutilated by that fiend in public position for no other reason than personal hatred. Public indignation is at fever heat because up to this date these offical murderers have neither been arrested nor duly tried. The men were kept hard at it for from ten the accounts of whose record in the Pizano of Tonala seems to be immune for all his savage acts.

> And now the State of Sinaloa has tim is Ramon Flores, a servant of the Trecorder of Los Nochis, Mr. Juan Seventy-five persons charged with Wiley. On July 17 he was at the "rebellion" in charges comprising house of his master unaware that he four volumes of three hundred pages would be hounded to death. He was each, were held for trial in the Juarez unarmed. All that is known is that penitentiary of Yucatan up to July he was chased into the seed fields of 11, and arrests have been made daily Mr. J. S. Scally by the policeman even since, the powers that be tak- Bernabe Leon who fired upon the ing the uprising of despair of Valla- frightened man, who ran towards the dolid, Yucatan, as a welcome pre-field of Mr. Julius Eckhardt. There text to weed out scientifically all un he saw the chief of police. Rosario Beltram, who also was drawing his gun, and ran towards him yelling: "don't "Mexico Nuevo," suppressed by shoot me, I surrender," but the man election campaign, is again in the and walked off, leaving the victim field under the name "El Mexicano," in his blood. The chief of police and will probably be allowed to live took from the policeman, Bernabe until after "Independence Week" to Leon, horse, gun and star and retired bolster up, in the eyes of the foreign him to private life. After an hour of visitors, the badly worn prestige of agony in the torrid sun the victim "freedom of the press" in Mexico. was brought to Topobampo, and For the same reason the congress of Dr. Green, physician of the F. C. K. the National Press Association called I. M. & O., might be able to give into meet on Sept. 16, in San Luis formation on whose account and ex-Potosi, will probably not be inter-frense the victim was brought into his fered with, but in the states of Colima care, because he forwarded the dead and Michoacan, Jalisco, Veracruz, man in a box to unknown parts by the manful denouncers of Pizanos express on the 23rd of July, six days galore are still being "hounded like after the man had been wounded. No

> "Suffer little children to come unto me," is preached from the pulpits of all christendom. In this country has accepted to assist in dedicating millions of them are called to the mills that profits might be ground out of their tender bodies to enrich more Gold and honor have often stifled the the already all-too-rich. But Mexico goes even one better . A paper of the impital reports under date of August; 23, that on August 19 the day of the Lord, who is reported to have said of the one who might offend a little millstone be hanged about his neck. and that he were drowned in the depths of the sea," there proceeded from Mexico City a sad procession of about one hundred and twenty-five people, some twenty of them women. and the major part of the others, chilplastic mind of the children the bonds noted apparent foreign parentage, carried by her unfortunate mother, named Las Tres Marias? To what "Divide et impera" is the maxim of low level must a government have sunk, when it is punishing an unfortunate mother's crime in her little inmocent baby, and when children 12, hot Siberia of Mexico instead of being placed in that establishment of school and shops erected for the special purpose of teaching the street urchins who grew up without a guide to the trada, helped by the Yankees, suc-path to good lives? These establishments are apparently for the show to blind the foreigners, like the famous tunate nation which will be a new vic- willages" a Potemkin manufactured all along the road in a poverty stricken country to deceive a Russian empress. Will they show a parade.

> And now a word to you foreign revolutionist, but the same and sin- guests of the government of the excere expression of a paper favorable ploiters of the Mexican nation: If to the government in power in Mex-you are earnest and sincere in your ico; it is the voice of officious Mex-jendeavor to find out for your own ico showing the gratitude of the pow- selves the bitter truth behind the gliters that be for the Diaz-Taft hand- tering festoons, and if you have red shake. And yet, with that officious blood in your veins, and a feeling feeling at bottom, the heartily word- heart, a human heart as yet not harded official invitation extended to Uncle ened by the struggle for existence, That is the masterful genius discard your guides, be not deceived of scientific press manipulation in the by a clever mirage, but once in Veraeffective stunt of all-round popularity cruz visit the sombre bastile of San manufactured by duplicity. They ouan de Ulua and ask permission to ment paper of Durango could reach bia, Cesar E. Canales, Lazaro vino and a hundred more, to hear from their own lips their sad story. Once in Mexico City go with the same It is funny to read in "El Impar- fixed purpose and request to the from hacienda to hacienda and look into the Siberia of Yucatan with well ing out the truth, the whole truth. and nothing but the truth.

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