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### Foreign Intelligence.

**UNITED STATES.**—We extract from the "Boston Courier" of the 23d December, the address of Mr. Winthrop to the Electoral College of Massachusetts, after recording the votes at the late Presidential election. It contains many hints strikingly applicable to the Republicans of South America.

"We have assembled here, gentlemen, for the discharge of a sacred duty, and the Constitution of the United States, and that duty having been performed, we are about to return to our homes. We are about to return to our homes, which cannot fail to be awakened some strong emotions in all our hearts, and to have our minds occupied in impressions upon all our minds.

"We have been called to participate in the duty of a political campaign, over the commencement and over the close of which, alike, the deepest shadows have been thrown by the death of a Clay and a Webster.

"We have been called, too, to cast the vote of the Commonwealth, against the most benevolent and in the face of a foregone conclusion of defeat.

"But, gentlemen, we have been able to lift our eyes above these clouds. We have been able to rejoice, and we do rejoice at this hour, that we have witnessed the passing of a political era, and all political casualties, and to which no disappointments and no bereavements can succeed. Our attachment to the country presents to-day a proud and cheering spectacle to the eyes of civil heaven. The illustrious list of our noble sires, and passing from ocean to ocean, have secured the immortal record of the will of the American people, as to the person who should be elected President of the United States, and in the face of the Chief Magistracy of the nation. And as we have performed our part in this duty, but substitute transaction, we cannot fail to have rejoiced in the reflection that we have not been left, like the people of other countries, to depend on the accidents of birth, or on the agency of bayonets, to decide what shall rule over us.

"We have not forgotten, either, that this is now the seventeenth time, in the good Providence of God, that such spectacles have been witnessed in our land, and that four and sixty years have thus passed safely and serenely away since the first organization of our National Government. And who can fail to rejoice in the assurance which such a long time suggests, that we possess a free, Republican, Constitutional system is no longer to be considered in the light of an experiment—but it has been tried; that it has proved successful; and that henceforth the only experiment which remains to be made, or our children, is not as to the character of our institutions or the nature of our Government, but as to the honor, the integrity, the vigilance, and the enlightened principle of those who shall rule over them, and of those who live under them.

"Gentlemen, I think I may safely say, that Messrs. Hays and Winthrop, to repeat, herself with in reference to the character and capacity of those whom she has successively designated for the honor of the Presidency. If her candidates have not always been successful, they have at least been able to give us a healthy and a wise selection.

Her Electoral vote has been given twice to George Washington; twice to John Adams; once to Thomas Jefferson; once to Charles Cotesworth Pinckney of South Carolina; once to John Jay; once to James Monroe; twice to William Henry Harrison; twice to Henry Clay; once to James Polk of Ohio; and once to Zachary Taylor of Louisiana.

"It has been our privilege today to add to the list of illustrious men—of whom, perhaps, no one is more entitled to be named—our name every way worthy to be associated with their names. History will do justice to the Massachusetts who, in the hour of our fighting the battles of her country, it will be no disparagement to him that he fought his battles less sanguinously. The impetuosity and brilliancy of his military career, his moderation in the hour of victory, his energy in the hour of defeat, his devotion to his public principles, the purity of his private life, will secure him a cherished remembrance with posterity, amidst the fortunes of parties, and even the names of Presidents, shall be altogether forgotten. His name will be remembered, indeed, in a small minority in his support. But she has

known what it is to be in a still smaller minority. She has known what it is to stand alone in a good cause, and with a good candidate; and her whole history proves that she is not of a complexion to shrink from the maintenance of her latest convictions under any pressure of numbers.

"On the present occasion, however, she is proud to recognize at her side the gallant states of Kentucky, and Tennessee, and Vermont, and in their welcome companionship she finds an ample shield against all imputations of sectional feeling.

"And now, gentlemen, we are not here to rejoice at results, or to arraign any of those who have differed from us, either at home or abroad. We have, without a murmur, to disapprove of the Republic, or disparagingly of those to whom its destinies have been committed, and we have to acquiesce in the decision of the majority. We look with entire confidence to the Constitution of our country, and with entire respect to those who are to be entrusted with its administration. We are ready to judge fairly and dispassionately of all the measures of our Government, and to give a prompt and patriotic approval to whatever may be rightly proposed, or rightly accomplished, from whatever source it may originate. And our earnest wish is, that we may be preserved in all things, ordered and settled, "that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and morality, may flourish among us forever generations." May every cause of sectional difference or political discord be removed from our councils, and may that Union, which was cemented by the blood of our fathers, and which is associated with so many hopes and so many sorrows, be cherished in all our hearts as a perpetual bond of National brotherhood.

"Once more, gentlemen, I thank you for the honor you have conferred on me by your presence here, and for the best wishes for your personal health and happiness.

### OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.

The Executive Power.]  
Buenos Ayres, Feb. 25th, 1853.  
To the Honourable Chamber of Representatives of the Province—  
The Government of the Province has the honor of submitting to the knowledge of your Honourable Corporation, a copy of the two notes which were sent addressed to it by a Commission that has arrived at San José de Flores, sent by General Don Justo José de Urquiza, Provisional Director of the Province assembled in Congress at Santa Fe.

"The Government, which, despite its firm determination to support all laws and institutions, independence, sovereignty and integrity of the territory, has never derogated indications of its anxiety, provides they are honourable and becoming, has decided that it is obliged to arbitrate, in peace in that acceptance; and has named a Commission, composed of Messrs. Don Juan Manuel de Saracá, of the Government, Brigadier General Don José María Paz, and the Citizens Don Nicolás Rodríguez Larrea, Don Manuel Velazco Saracá, whose Credential it has ordered to be extended, giving them the necessary instructions, to be ready to receive the offer of peace that may be made, and for discussing and treating upon them, without definitively concluding any arrangement, until they obtain the right of giving account to your Hon. Corporation, in order that it may obtain the communication of its ratification should it prove worthy the Province of Buenos Ayres.

"The Government likewise encloses a copy of the note which has addressed to Messrs. the Representatives, for the purpose of obtaining the ratification of the Corporation, the which has been given them; and it has the satisfaction of announcing that the Government of whatever may be proposed by said Commission, and in order to negotiate, which may take place by that which has been named by the Government.

God preserve Y. H. C. many years.

MARCELO TORRES,  
FRANCISCO DE LAS CARRERAS,  
PEDRO JOSÉ DIAZ.

[Viva la Confederación Argentina!]  
San José de Flores, Feb. 24, 1853.  
To H. E. the Provisional Governor of the Province of Buenos Ayres, Brigadier Don Manuel Pardo.

# AND A N O T I C E

A desire of seeing the war terminated, that substantially signifies this Province, has decided H. E. the Provisional Director of the Confederation to send near Y. E., the undersigned, duly authorized to negotiate a pacific solution of the questions that have hitherto been debated by arms.

The Commissioners have the honor of presenting to Y. E. their Credentials, and of protesting the sincerity with which they will use every possible effort on their part, to arrive at an honourable and a worthy peace, which is the general wish of all the Argentine.

H. E. Rear Admiral Du Sain, who has made so many efforts for the peace of our Country, wishes still to continue them; and has designated to offer himself as the medium of presenting to Y. E. the wishes of the undersigned, and their sincere desires for the termination of the war that afflicts the Province.

Luis J. de la Peña,  
Pedro Ferré,  
Francisco Zubirí.

[Viva la Confederación Argentina!]  
Head Quarters, San José,  
January 26th, 1853.

To H. E. the Provisional Governor of the Province of Buenos Ayres—  
It being impossible for me to remain indifferent to the daily sacrifice of a portion of our fellow countrymen who are so cruelly afflicted by the disastrous civil war, tenaciously prolonged in that Province, or to suffer its ruin and desolation, I have concluded to undertake the Argentine Confederation—to be commended; anxious to satisfy the most ardent wishes of all the Argentine Provinces, to discharge the obligations which I accepted from them, to fulfil the patriotic views of the Argentine General Congress, and to give that Province and Y. E., a new proof of the interest always inspired in me for its prosperity and welfare—I have resolved to send near Y. E., a Commission composed of the Citizens Don Luis María de la Peña, Minister Secretary of State in the Department of Foreign Relations of the Argentine Confederation, Brigadier General Don Pedro Ferré, and Don Don Pascual Zubirí, who on account of their distinguished patriotic and honorable qualities, merit my entire confidence, provided with full powers, that, in the name of the Argentine Confederation, they may offer their mediation, and interpose all the authority of the Constitutional Charter of the Province, in order that the civil war may cease in said Province, and that in accordance with the rest of the Confederate Provinces, it may concur in the establishment of the Constitutional Charter, which is to fix definitively their reciprocal rights and guarantees. For this purpose I have also directed the necessary orders to be issued to said Commission; and I trust that Y. E. will give entire faith and credit to all that said Commission may manifest in my name, and very especially when it assures you of the sincerity of my sentiments for the prosperity of that Province, and of Y. E. God preserve Y. H. many years.

URQUIZA,  
ANGELO ELIAS, Secretary.

Department of Government.]  
Buenos Ayres, Feb. 25th, 1853.  
To Messrs. the Commissioners, Dr. Don Luis José de la Peña, General Don Pedro Ferré and Don Francisco Zubirí—  
The Government has received, to the credit of Messrs. the Commissioners, of the date the 24th inst., with the Credential, which they are pleased to confer, and they are hereby authorized to attempt a pacific solution of the questions that are hitherto debated by arms, proposing the sincerity on their part, wherever they will use every possible effort to arrive at an honourable and a worthy peace; and in presenting, finally, that Rear Admiral Du Sain, who has made so many efforts for the peace of our Country, and has designated to offer himself as the medium of presenting to the Government the wishes of the undersigned, and their sincere interest for the termination of the war, which afflicts this Province.

The Government, with the greatest pleasure of the sentiments recorded in said note, has ordered the undersigned to reply, as he has the honor of doing, to the note which has always been, with the same noble sentiments of peace, expressed by the Commissioners, and by requesting the Commission, at the point where they are to meet has been decided on.

67 Advertisements received! Friday morning, indifferently with the greatest care and attention at the following rates: Not exceeding six lines, one insertion 5¢; each subsequent insertion 10¢; and each subsequent insertion 10¢; and two for each subsequent insertion. Notices from the National Congress, or any other point that may be agreed upon, and that may merit the common approbation of the Commissioners.

For this purpose it has named the Commission which is to represent the Government of the Province of Buenos Ayres, composed of Dr. Don Lorenzo Torres, Minister of Government, Brigadier General Don José María Paz, and Citizens Don Nicolás Ancochea and Dr. Don Dalmacio José Sarriol, to whom it has ordered the corresponding instructions, and that they should attend them the necessary instructions that they may hear the issues of peace proposed by the Commissioners, and to be ready on the subject of the Government.

The Government has much pleasure in asserting, and has ordered the undersigned to signify to the Commissioners, that though it has endeavored by all means to oppose a firm resistance to the rebellion, that without motive or pretext, that this Province, it has always cherished the desire and the hope of an honourable and becoming peace; and that to no noble end it has consecrated its efforts, giving unequivocal proofs of its desires and intentions, and that it has not neglected any of the war, by the sending of four Commissioners to the enemy's camp, and the mediation of the Argentine Confederation, to whom the Government has already expressed its gratitude for the efforts he has made to the peace of the Province.

It would now afford the Government much pleasure to accept the efforts offered by H. E. the Rear Admiral, and to continue the Commissioners as he still wishes to continue; but since the Commissioners are Argentine, and those named by the Government, and besides, also, the Government considers itself obliged to accept the offer of the Rear Admiral, it would be highly expedient for the two Commissioners should first come in contact and arrange between themselves, without seeking foreign interference, the means of making a proof of their fraternal sentiments, they themselves attaining the Peace which all the Argentine Provinces desire. Contrary to its expectations, they should not be able to agree, and attain the end desired by all, in the case it may be necessary to accept and propose the mediation of the legitimate presentation of friendly Argentine Governments, that have not offered it.

The Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Government, Don Juan Manuel de Saracá, will place this communication in the hands of the Commissioners, and at the same time will deliver an official notice, in the name of H. E. the Governor of the Province, and the other members of the Administration. The undersigned respectfully salutes the Commissioners.

LORENZO TORRES.

To present a connected view of this mediatorial episode, on which so much depends, we purpose to give the leading documents at length, but must in the mean time content ourselves with a synopsis of the subordinate ones.

Under date San José de Flores, February 25th, the Commissioners acknowledge the receipt of the communications forwarded by the Under-Secretary of Government; thanking the Government for its felicitations and courteous attentions, and conforming to the instructions of the Government, and suggesting the Church of Balmuera, as the point for their first interview with the Representatives of the Government; the place for their future meetings to be decided by mutual accord.

Was on the 26th of February, the Minister of Government replied to the aforesaid, accepting the locality indicated by the Commission, and suggesting the 1st inst. at 11 a.m. for the first meeting; care being taken to provide for the safety of the Commissions, and to arrange to meet at the same point.

Under date San José de Flores, February 27th, the Commissioners replied to the latter, accepting the locality indicated by the Government; and accompanying a note to the Chief of the Post-office, to the effect, that, in case of any disturbance, the streets leading to said Church; the signal flags, which would be the hoisting of white flags, at the point where the Commission on started in route for Balmuera,





