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THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

In general terms, the Monroe Doctrine has been construed to mean—as it has been construed by Mr. Secretary Olney—"America for the Americans." In the year 1823, President Monroe sent a message to Congress in which he set forth the policy of "neither entangling ourselves in the broils of Europe, nor suffering the Powers of the Old World to interfere with the affairs of the new."

THE AMERICAN WAR CLOUD.

Opinions in the Old World and in the New.

HIGH AUTHORITIES SUPPORT LORD SALISBURY'S POSITION.

British and Canadian Press.

(London Times.) "It is impossible to disguise the gravity of the difficulties that have arisen between Great Britain and the United States. The details of the dispute are insignificant in comparison with the far-reaching claims of Mr. Olney's despatch and the emphasis laid on President Cleveland's message."

(London Daily Graphic.) "The epitaph of the Monroe doctrine has been written in the Venezuelan correspondence. President Cleveland's message is a document which self-respecting Americans will not read with either pride or pleasure. It only serves to initiate another of the abortive attempts at interpreting the Monroe doctrine. Are the frontiers of European colonies in the two Americas to be held at the good pleasure of a committee of Washington gentlemen?"

In truth, this invitation of the Monroe doctrine seems, on this side of the water, to be irrelevant, because there is no question of territorial greed or the imposition of a reciprocity system. It is absurd, because a statement of the American policy can hardly claim to attain the rank of a principle of international law.

There can be but one answer. We decline to humiliate ourselves and refuse to accept direction.

(St. John Sun.)

The Monroe doctrine has been cited as authority for many things, but Lord Salisbury's pitiless logic shows that no honest interpretation of the original meaning applies it to the present case. Canadians will take an amused and contemptuous interest in the interpretation of Secretary Olney, who not only makes the United States Lord and master of the continent, but coolly proposes to Lord Salisbury that the British empire has no right in America.

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War between Great Britain and the United States would be one of the greatest catastrophes that it is possible to contemplate. It would involve an enormous loss of human life, and terrific destruction of property, without the promise of any good result.

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Great Britain. The despatch of Mr. Olney is in its tone and manner as insulting as if it had been written by the late James G. Blaine, and we may add as illogical and unreasonable. The claim of Mr. Olney that the United States is practically sovereign on this continent, and that its fiat is law, is simply the claim of a powerful robber, who is prepared to trumpet the rights of others under foot.

The opinion in diplomatic circles and the general impression on other secretaries of legation of the notes was that the matter has not reached a stage where war is imminent and a hint of Great Britain's purpose to reopen negotiations with Venezuela looking to settlement of the dispute between themselves, perhaps may be regarded as the indication as to how the whole matter will end.

(The Venezuelan Minister.) Minister Andrade, of Venezuela, received a copy of the message and called it by way of Cuba and Haiti to his government. Mr. Andrade's satisfaction was almost beyond the power of expression. "The message is superb," said he with much enthusiasm.

(The British Embassy.) At the British embassy, Sir Julian Pauncefote and his official corps shared in the general interest. It was stated that the foreign offices made public at noon to-day the Salisbury answer, simultaneously with its publication.

(Ex-President Goblet.) Ex-Premier Goblet said with reference to President Cleveland's message to Congress regarding the Venezuelan dispute that he considered the President's pretensions absolutely novel in the annals of diplomacy.

(Le Temps.) The Temps has a two column editorial on the message which says it is the gravest document signed by an American President since President Lincoln's manifesto on the Trent incident.

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United States Press and Politicians. The following are the results of interviews regarding the message: Senator Hoar (Republican)—It is less turbid than most of the papers which have emanated from the president, and sounds very much as if it had been written by some one else.

Senator Chandler (Republican)—It is a loud and courageous paper, and responds to the doctrine for which the United States will fight if necessary. Representative McCall (Republican)—The message is a spirited and noble document, and should receive the united support of both parties.

Senator Lodge (Republican)—This message is the most serious and important message which has been submitted by any member of Congress in many years. As a matter of course, it has been read and its spirit, its conclusions, and the general position taken, for I took the ground myself last June. The president argues briefly the standing of the Monroe doctrine as a question of international law. I do not

TELEGRAPHIC.

Appreciative Conservatively.

(Ottawa, Dec. 20) Sir Mackenzie Bowell received a telegram from the Liberal Conservative Association of Victoria, expressive of thanks for the choice of Colonel Prior as a Cabinet Minister.

Lord Wolseley's Prayer.

(London, Dec. 20.) General Lord Wolseley, commander-in-chief of the British forces, in the course of an address yesterday, mentioned the differences between the United States and Great Britain over the Venezuelan question, and exclaimed, "God forbid there should be war."

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