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#### AN INTERNATIONALIST.

La Révolution française a formé, au-dessus de toutes les nationalités particulières, une patrie intellectuelle commune dont les hommes de toutes les nations ont pu devenir citoyens.

> L'Ancien Régime et La Révolution par Alexis de Tocqueville, Liv. L. Chap. III.

When Knaves and Fools combined o'er all prevail, When Justice halts and Right begins to fail, E'en then the boldest start from public sneers, Afraid of shame,—by satire kept in awe, And shrink from Ridicule though not from Law.

English Bards and Scotch Reviewers, 31-36.

Oh-that mine adversary had written a book. Job. 31. 35.

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This book is dedicated to those who believe with the writer that Equality before the Law is the one and only possible goal that mankind can and shall reach.

Equality which, without dwarfing in any way the scope of the individual powers, is the opposite of

MILITARISM, IMPERIALISM, PROTECTION and kindred evils.

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#### MR. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Col. Roosevelt's Candidature.

To the Editor of the Herald:

The nomination of Theodore Roosevelt "for Governor" will mark the lowest depth of political degradation that the United States have thus far reached. Roosevelt, when a young man, tried as a legislator to vindicate his importance by making himself conspicuous. Then he associated with "cowboys" in order to acquire popularity with the rabble of the West. As a Police Commissioner he advocated the theory that true courage derives its surest inspiration from the sight of blood, and frequented all the prize fights.

As Assistant Secretary of the Navy he did all in his power to force his country into an iniquitous war, in the hope of gaining some cheap military glory with which to dazzle the vulgar mind. As a soldier he ordered a charge of dismounted cavalry, armed only with pistols, upon well-defended intrenchments, an act which would have caused him to be shot in any army with the slightest pretension to military science. As an officer he inspired

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a letter written by generals in face of the enemy, "asking to be taken home."

As a politician his speeches show what efforts he has made to flatter the credulous masses by appealing to their vanity.

Such is the man who seeks minor political honors before starting for the one coveted goal.

O fatal Presidential seat! Why did a people as fantastical as Americans struggle to separate themselves from their natural ruler, an insane king? It was done in the infancy of the nation, and one can find a reason in Goethe's dictum, "Youth is drunkenness without wine."

St. Malo, Sept. 26, 1898.

The New York Sun of Oct. 24, 1898, copied the greater part of this letter under this heading:

"One of the finest of the wandering American fools who illuminate the columns of Mr. James Gordon Bennett's Paris edition of the New York *Herald* furnishes his opinion of Theodore Roosevelt's career and character."

The Sun, with its usual sense of fairness, stopped, however, at the sentence that alludes to Mr. Roosevelt's Presidential aspirations, which subsequent events have done so much to confirm.

The Evening Post of Nov. 9, 1898, speaking of Quay's victory in Pennsylvania, adds: "Pennsylvania thus touches the lowest depth of polit-