British Embassy, Paris.

November 27, 1902.

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Monsieur, I hasten to thank you for sending me a copy of your

Je vous remercie très sincèrement pour l'aimable pensée que vous avez eue de m'envoyer votre livre et pour la lettre qui l'accompagne. Les sentiments que vous exprimez m'ont profondement touchés et je ne peux que souhaiter le succès d'un ouvrage dont la vulgarisation contribuera puissamment à faire cesser ces menus froissements que la pratique de la vie et l'ignorance des lois locales amènent presque fatalement.

A parcourir votre livre j'ai pu en apprécier la science, la clarté, le caractère vraiement utile; il m'a rappelé, il est vrai, combien mes propres études de droit étaient loiptaines et combiens de choses j'avais à réapprendre; mais j'ai éprouvé moins d'humiliation à le constater que de reconnaissance vis à vis de vous.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur, l'expression de mes très devoués sentiments.

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It is as you point out, at the same time a step of importance towards procuring for such foreigners the means of informing themselves in a direction calculated to exercise a most beneficial influence upon their appreciation of French customs and habits of thought and I quite agree that every such step conduces towards that harmony of sentiment which we must look to as the foundation of a thorough mutual understanding between nations of different languages and different methods of life. No one more than myself can feel anxious to arrive at such a consummation of diplomatic effort.

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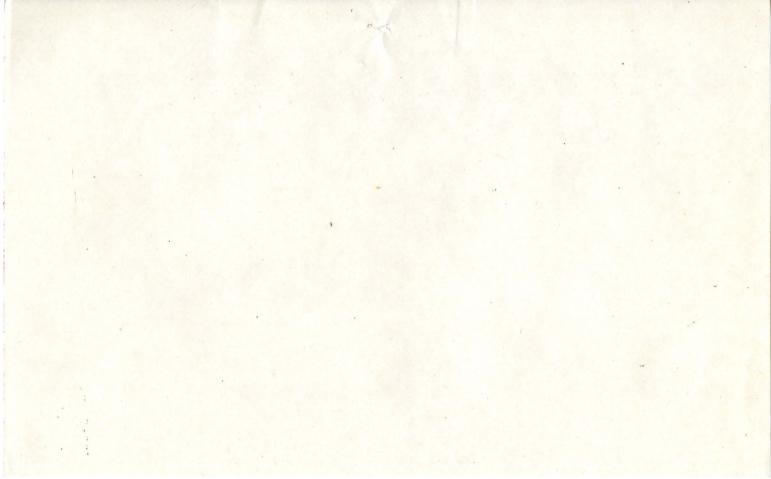
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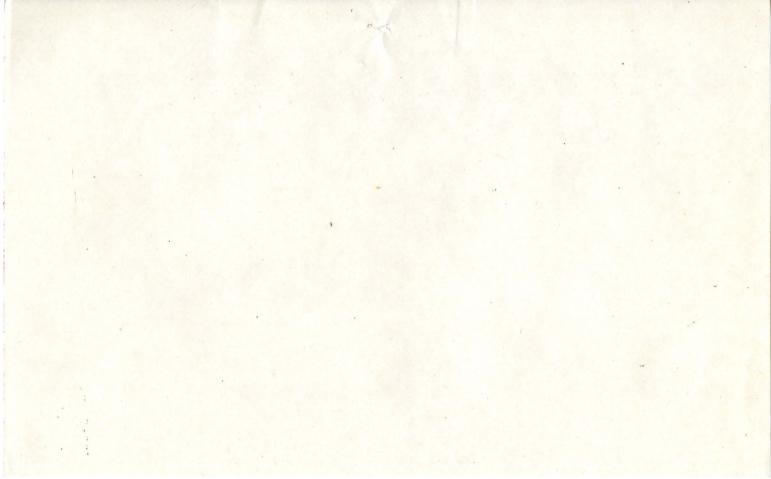
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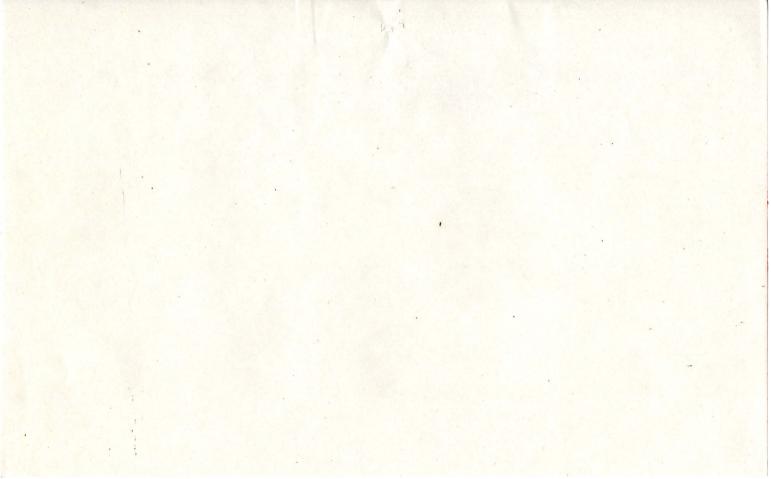
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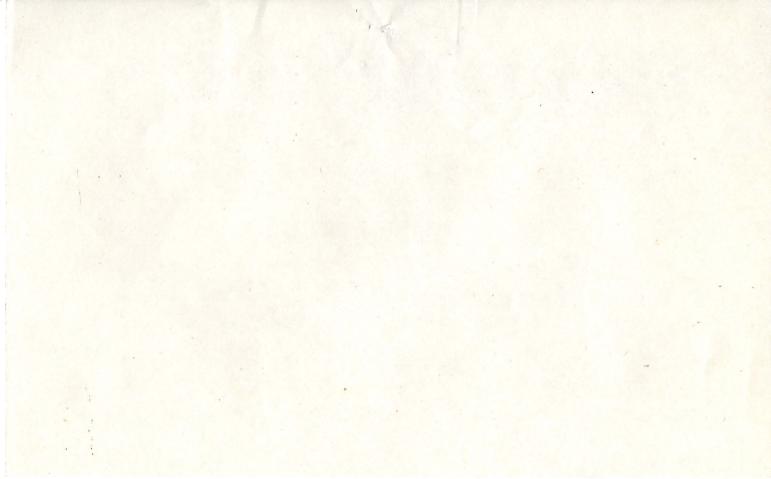
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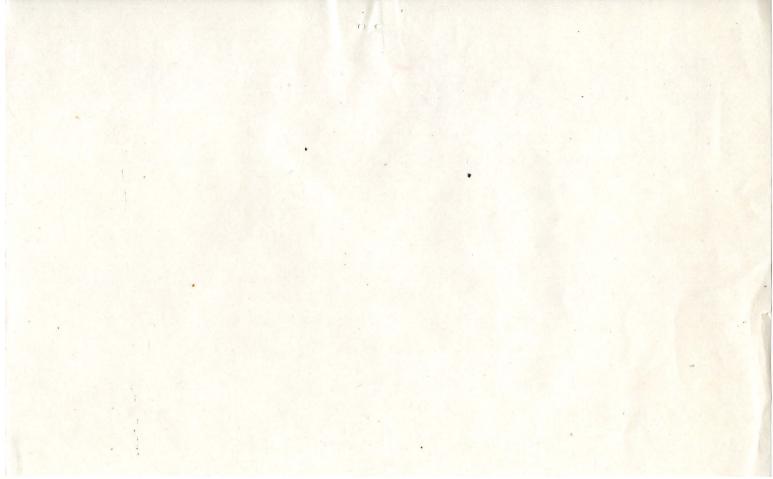
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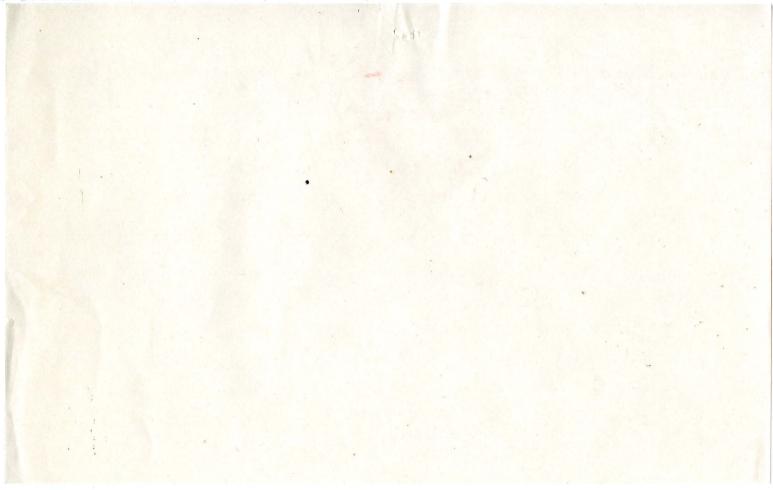
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Ultimate Aim to Settle Disputes Between Countries as Between Man and Man.

Baltimore, Feb. 6.—With the indorsement of President Taft, Secretary Knox and Senators Root and Burton, all of whom sent letters expressing their sympathy with its plans, there was organized to-night at the residence of Theodore Marburg, the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes. Its chief purpose is to devote itself to issuing articles by leading men of all countries on subjects indicated by its title and to organize meetings of national scope in various parts of the country from time to time with a view to educating the people as to the desirability of promoting the peace of the world by settling points of international controversy in the same general way in which the differences between individuals are now settled.

The organization of the society followed a dinner given by Marburg, at which his guests included Congressman Richard Bartholdt, of Missouri; John Hays Hammond, of Washington; former Secretary of State Francis B, Loomis, Dr. William F. Willoughby, Assistant Director of the Census; Dr. James Brown Scott, Solicitor for the Department of State; Frederick P. Keppel, secretary of the American Association for International Conciliation, New York; Dr. William R. Vance, of George Washington University; Dr. William I. Hull, of Swarthmore College; Dr. Ira Remsen, of the Johns Hopkins University, and a number of others.

Officers elected to serve for the first year were Dr. James Brown Scott, president; John Hays Hammond, vice president; John Hays Hammond, vice

Encouragement From Taft.

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My Dear Mr. Marburg—I have learned with interest of the plans to found an "American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes."

The leaflets which you propose to publish, together with the meetings of national scope which you are planning to hold from time to time, may have a very great influence on the development of public opinion on this important subject. If the proposed Court of Arbitral Justice at The Hague becomes an accomplished fact there will still remain the task of securing the adhesion of a number of Powers to the Court, and the very important task of so cultivating opinion in various countries as to incline Governments to resort to the Court when occasion calls for it. There is no other single way in which the cause of peace and disarmament can be so effectively promoted as by the firm establishment of a permanent international Court of Justice. Sincerely yours, WILLIAM H. TAFT.

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Should the identic note be favorably received and should the Court of Arbitral Justice be thus constituted, the consenting nations would have a permanent international tribunal for the judicial determination of controversies arising out of peace as well as war, and it cannot be doubted that such a tribunal would, in large measure, render to nations the services which national Courts have performed for private litigants. By the settlement of controversies susceptible of judicial determination before they have reached an acute stage the causes of war would be minimized and a first step taken toward the gradual decrease of armament.

Regretting my inability to testify by my presence the great interest I have in the organization of your society. I am, very sincerely yours, P. C. KNOX.

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Senator Elihu Root expressed his sympathy with the project in these words:

Dear Mr. Marburg:—I beg to say to your guests that I sympathize very strongly with their object and believe that the proposed organization is adapted to render a great public service. I assume that the new organization is to have a definite, specific object which may be indicated by emphasizing the word 'judicial' in its title to indicate a distinction between that kind of settlement of international disputes and the ordinary arbitration as it has been understood in the past and is generally understood now. I assume that you are going to urge that disputes between nations shall be settled by judges acting under the judicial sense of honorable obligation, with a judicial dea of impartiality, rather than by diplomats acting under the diplomatic ideas of honorable obligation and feeling bound to negotiate a settlement rather than to pass without fear or favor upon questions of fact and law.

It seems to me that such a change in the fundamental idea of what an arbitration should be is essential to any very great further extension of the idea of arbitration. I have been much surprised, however, to see how many people there are of ability and force who do not agree with this idea at all, particularly people on the other side of the Atlantic. The extraordinary scope of judicial power in this country has accustomed us to see the operations of government and questions arising between sovereign States submitted to Judges who apply the test of conformity to established principles and rules of conduct embodied in our Constitutions.

It seems natural and proper to us that the conduct of Government effecting substantial rights, and not depending upon pust the Courts when occasion arises. It is easy, therefore, for Americans to grasp the idea that the same method of settlement should be applied to questions growing out of the conduct of nations and not involving questions of policy.

In countries, however, where the Courts exercise no such power, the

Our Country the Leader.

Though more brief than the others, Senator Burton, of Ohio, was none the less an earnest supporter of the new organization. He wrote:

My dear Mr. Marburg:
I have the strongest desire that your proposed society for the judicial settlement of international disputes may render efficient service. The settlement of controversies between nations in the same general manner as between individuals must be the adopted policy in promoting the cause of peace and preventing wars.

I have always maintained that our own country should take a leading part in this work, and hope for your organization the greatest degree of success.

Very respectfully yours.

T. E. BURTON.

Letters of similar tenor were received from Dr. Lyman Abbott, President Woodrow Wilson, of Princeton; Cardinal Gibbons, who is in New Orleans; Theodore Woolsey, of Yale; William Draper Lewis, of the University of Pennsylvania, and a number of others.

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The American Society for the Indicial Settlement of International Disputes.

The purpose underlying the formation of the American Society for the Iudicial Settlement of International Disputes is promotion of the project to establish a judicial tribunal which will do for the civilized world what the ordinary courts of justice do for the individual and to encourage recourse to it when established. Such a tribunal is foreshadowed in the Court of Arbitral Justice adopted in principle by the Second Hague Conference. If differs materially from the existing Court of Arbitration at the Hague. The latter consists practically of a panel of judges to be drawn upon when it is desired to organize a tribunal of arbitration for some specific case. Courts of arbitration, so organized, have certain inherent weaknesses: their members are often nationals of the contesting countries with all the prejudices appertaining thereto; it is more or less difficult to fix upon arbitrators acceptable to both sides; an arbitration is costly and the expense is borne solely by the nations parties to the dispute; the court is dissolved after settling the case before it and such a tribunal must lack continuity. A permanent court of justice, on the other hand, would gradually establish precedents by which it would be governed and would help to build up international law precisely as municipal law is built up today by the decisions of the ordinary courts of justice. It would gradually acquire a wide knowledge of international practice, and in time win the respect and confidence of the world just as the Supreme Court of the United States has won the confidence of the people of the separate States of the Union. Furthermore, its very existence would be an invitation to define more clearly international law and possibly to codify portions of it. An example in point is the fact that the establishment of an International Prize Court by the Second Hague Conference (1907) led to the holding of a convention in London (1908-9) to codify the law of prize. The expense of maintaining the Court of Arbitral Justice will be borne by the nations jointly.

The new society will enter upon no direct propaganda for peace, for arbitration, or for disarmament. Its aim is to advocate the most practical means hitherto devised of settling certain kinds of international disputes without resort to war and to leave to societies organized for that purpose the very useful work of bringing home to men the evils of war. Its promoters believe that in the fulness of time peace and disarmament will follow as the result of a growing habit of referring international difficulties to a permanent and easily accessible international court, just as trial by combat, by which in former times a disputant could establish the justice of his claim only by disabling his opponent, fell into disuse of its own accord when courts of justice were set up.

The movement for disarmament has failed to make any progress because we cannot expect a given nation to disarm so long as it remains open to attack by other nations. With certain notable exceptions, nations which have gone to war have generally believed that they had a grievance,-some claim to enforce or some aggression to repel. Each side has believed itself wholly in the right. Give them the machinery for determining the right, and war, so costly in human suffering and waste of material resources, will be less resorted to. Arbitration does not completely satisfy this need. Frequently its governing principle is compromise, and a nation which feels itself wholly in the right in some dispute of high importance, may be unwilling to run the risk of a compromise of its presumed right.

Arbitration has been for some time, and will continue to be, of very great value, but it is merely the stepping stone to an institution far more effective, i. e., the proposed international court of justice.

The existing provision that the Court of Arbitral Justice shall come into being whenever any two powers proceed to institute it, makes such a permanent international court realizable, and it is reasonable to suppose that when once in operation as between two or more powers the accession of other powers will follow:

The task before the new society is to show the people of this and other lands—

rst. That the movement to reject war as a means of settling international controversies has already become a practical movement, made such by the achievements of arbitration and kindred institutions: instance the number of arbitrations brought to a successful conclusion in the recent past, the treaties entered into to submit future disputes to arbitration, and preeminently the adjustment of such a dangerous episode as the Dogger Bank affair (1904) by a mere institution, an

institution so simple as a Commission of Inquiry provided in advance by the First Hague Conference.

2nd. That the proposed Court of Arbitral Justice offers greater possibilities for the peaceful settlement of international controversies along permanent lines than any existing institutions.

3rd. That the growing weight of armaments is forcing men to turn their attention to this subject as never before and makes the success of such a movement more probable.

As thus far planned the channels through which the new society proposes to work are principally two, viz: the issuing of brief statements of scientific accuracy by the leading men of various countries, and meetings of national scope.

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With cordial congratulations for the occasion, and high esteem for the wise and honorable method devised for the celebration of the centenary, I am,

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Dear Sir:-

Herewith I beg to acknowledge your favor #2575. It was greatly to my regret that Professor Coulter, the representative of the University of Chicago, on account of ill health was not able to be present at the very interesting exercises in commemoration of the hundredth year of the independence of Mexico. I am glad to know the formal communication was duly received, and to know further that the exercises in every way were successful and worthy of the occasion.

Very truly yours,

H. C. J.