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CHARITATIVE.

Having just heard a detailed account

from a gentleman who has undergone

fourteen days' quarantine at Flores

Island, I should wish to give to the

Montevideo public the account as

was given to me of what he went

through during that time. Englishmen

will understand me when I say that

what went on in the old country, than

the same time endured under the present

rules and arrangements of the board of

health here.

The person who described the time he

passed there was not an Englishman, but

he had the prejudices of the Anglo-Saxon

for a certain amount of cleanliness and

decent arrangements, which seen to

have been the last things he found in

Flores Island. But we will hear his own

story.

I must premise that with the ex-

ception of certain people here who have

gone through the quarantine on Flores

Island it must be as utterly un-

known to the inhabitants of Montevideo, as if it was an island situated in

is contracted for is really produced; also

the water supply is very defective which

could be easily rectified, but what is

every one's business is, practically no

body's business, but a thorough over-

hauling of the arrangements should be

made by the agents of the great Steam

Ship Companies, they are the people who

are abused, and they have sufficient in-

forest here to be able to correct these

abuses by which their own passengers

suffer, and which reacts against them-

selves in the dreadful accounts which

are sent to Europe of the penalties

attached to undergoing quarantine on

landing in the River Plate.

PAYSANDU.

It is well worth noting that a large

Italian steamer is now loading wool in

Paysandu. We believe that this is the

first time, an Ocean going vessel of 2000

tons has ever been in Paysandu. There

is no doubt that our imports of wool,

hides, bonnets, and also cereals is such,

to command the careful study of Brit-

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establishing regular communication,

before some more enterprising country

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Midland Railway have built a strong

substantial jetty that will admit deep

draught vessels alongside and another

pier exists in the Barraca de Morsin.

Nufnagel Plotter & Co. It is said that

his shipbuilding programme will of

course be judged on its merits. But as

regards the great object to be gained all

Englishmen worthy of the name are sub-

stantially agreed. Plans for the fortifi-

cation of our coasts are far more vague

and shabby, while we do not under-

stand that Conservatism as such attach

any weight to the provision of special

safeguards for London. The fact is, as

we believe the Government frankly re-

cognizes, that we cannot afford to con-

template the possibility of invasion. The

fleet is our defence, and upon it we must

perforce rely. Discussion of the terrible

things which might happen if England's

naval strength decayed only serves to

waken the determination of naval refor-

mers, and to obscure the true issue be-

fore the country.

So far, therefore, as our national secu-

rity is concerned, the Government have

only to be prudent and business-like, if

they wish to obtain the practically uni-

versal support of Parliament. They

must avoid the example of Lord Wol-

sey, and eschew the one of Mr. Stanhope,

unless they desire to introduce party

recriminations, and make political cap-

ital at the expense of public duty. No

evidence has been produced, or suggest-

ed to show that war is more probable in

the immediate future than it has been

for the last two years. The combustible

elements are still as plentiful as ever,

though they have certainly not increas-

ed, have perhaps not upon the whole

diminished. But, on the other hand,

most of those who control the pace of

the world, and especially the Emperor

of Russia, have shown a very creditable

ability to avoid giving each other reason

JAPANESE.

Feb 10.

Monday will be a great day in Japan.

On that day the Emperor will publicly

promulgate the new Constitution. The

ceremony, which will be conducted in

great state, will take place in Tokio, the

capital, but the event will probably be

celebrated with rejoicing in every corner

of the Empire. It is one further step in

that assimilation of a great Eastern and

A Asiatic people to Western and European

models which has characterized the

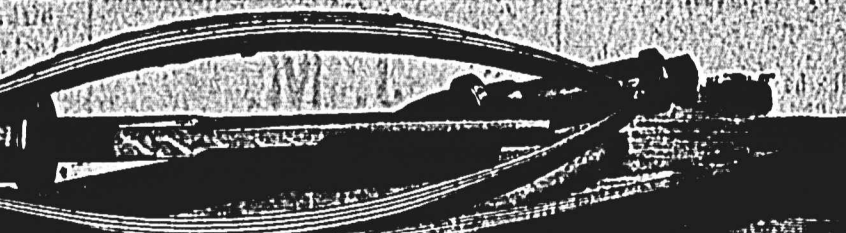
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