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## EDITORIAL

### A Timely Victory.

That the triumph of mediation occurs so near to Independence Day is fitting. It was made possible only through adherence to the principles set forth in the Declaration of Independence. In the doctrine that "all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed" is the all-sufficient answer to the shouts of the interests and misguided jingoes who demand forcible annexation. It is fortunate that there is an administration at Washington which recognizes the importance of fidelity to that principle.

S. D.

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### Peace Hath Her Victories.

Mediation has succeeded. In spite of the ravings of the fire-eaters, the frenzy of the yellow press, and the nagging of the little Congressmen, President Wilson has won. And had it not been for the blunder of a hair-trigger admiral who compelled the occupation of Vera Cruz, it would not have cost the life of a single American soldier. There is now no excuse whatever for our meddling with the internal affairs of Mexico. Even the ultra patriots who "see red" can now find no reason for intervention. We could have marched to Mexico City, and sent our troops throughout the length and breadth of the afflicted country, at a cost of many thousands of lives, and hundreds of millions in treasure. Instead, we have conquered by patience and forbearance. Peace is assured between this country and the Federals; and if the Constitutionalists do not obtain satisfactory terms at Niagara Falls, they will at Mexico City. With Zacatecas in the hands of the Constitutionalists and the demoralized Federals retreating, General Villa will soon be in possession of the capital; and the ending of the war under these circumstances gives greater promise of peace than Mexico has seen in a hundred years.

Peace hath her victories  
No less renown'd than war.

S. C.