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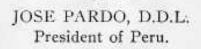
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PREFACE.

The writer is indebted to Collier's Weekly, for matter from a series of excellent articles which appeared in that magazine during November and December, on South America, by Arthur Ruhl; and to the Rev. F. E. Clark, writing on the coast of South America, in the Los Angeles Times of April.

The Official matter has been translated from the booklets published by authority of the Peruvian Department.

For the new matter that is given in this third edition of "A Guide to Modern Peru," the writer wishes to thank, particularly, senor Don Alejandro Garland, for matter contained in his publications, "Resena Industrial and El Peru 1906," published on behalf of the Ministry of State of Peru.

The writer returned last October from his fifth annual trip to Peru and found a great many changes and wonderful progress exhibited in the country. In the first place, the steamer Quillota left the City of Callao with a full passenger list, carrying several notables on board. Amongst the passengers, were found for the first time in the history of travel in that country, a party of Cook's tourists, consisting of a dozen persons, in which were represented two millionaires, Dr. Nicholas Senn, a United States Army Surgeon, and that genial traveler and army physician, Dr. Louis Seaman. Both these gentlemen were very enthusiastic in regard to Peru. Dr. Seaman visiting all the hospitals along the coast, spending his time with the different boards of health and giving them advice in a friendly manner, for which the local profession was very thankful.

Dr. Seaman is a most observing traveler and the author of various books of great interest on his travels. During the Russo-Japanese war, he faced the heat of battle, saw frightful carnage and slaughter; faced thousands of bullets without the madness of firing back, incident to warfare simply to study the field results of modern arms in the interest of medical science and Uncle Sam.

Prof. Todd, his wife and charming daughter were also passengers returning from Arcquipa, together with their pet telescope, which must have been a source of constant trouble to them in traveling, as it is 18 inches in diameter, and with which the noted astronomer took over seven thousand photographs of Mars during its recent opposition. The wonderful and clear climate of Peru lending itself to this sort of work to great advantage. Prof. Todd is an enthusiast in his profession, having defrayed the costs of this trip and numerous expenses out of his own pocket for the benefit of science. They expressed themselves so delighted with Peru that they intend to return in the near future.

The writer wishes to call personal attention to the wonderful resources of Peru from his personal knowledge and travels. It is a country which still retains its ancient mystery. It is just as possible now for adventure and fortune as it was in the time of Pizarro. He has traveled in all parts of the world, is familiar with various languages and he can state from his own knowledge of Africa, Australia, Mexico and Central America, as well as

AUGUSTO B. LEGUIA (The next President.)

Minister of Finance for two successive terms, who, by his wonderful ability and enterprising work has so ably assisted President Pardo in creating the present financial success of Peru.



FREDERICK ELGUERA.

The popular Mayor of Lima for years. Elguera has done an immense amount of work in beautifying and improving the city and has introduced many reforms. United States and Europe, that no country offers the advantages to man with or without capital, as does Modern Peru today, to all sorts and conditions of men, provided they are honest and work with the same enterprise they do in this country.

Do you grow fruits or do you farm? You can with the knowledge and experience gained in this country obtain free lands in the Piches district, where in a few years you may make your fortune and have a delightful home, the most beauitful gardens and orchards in the world. Do you fish and hunt? Then, there is for you a trapper's life in the mammoth Andes, where you may glory in the chase and make your thousands in the season as well. Do you enjoy fishing? A fortune awaits you at the sea shore.

The writer remembers with regret the fishing smacks of the Gulf of Mexico, which returned almost empty, having had a poor catch. The shores of Peru teem with shoals of "big fellows," and such smacks as run to the Mexican Coast after fish for Louisiana, could soon retire fairly rich. Fish packing and salting is not understood in Peru.

Do you understand the manufacturing business? There are chances in the various cities of Peru for small and big capital, placed with experienced men to manage the factory.

Emigrants of all nations, of good character and health, may quickly obtain positions on the large estates or plantations and with the same enterprise given in this country to similar work can advance rapidly and secure a competency. There is room for hundreds of thousands of agricultural laborers in the country. There is also a constant demand for skilled labor. Chemists, mechanics of all sorts, distillers, carpenters, blacksmiths, people familiar with vine growing and all workmen in general can do well in the country, with every advantage of