

a more magnificent panorama than that of Chapultepec. The hill, an isolated rock rising to a height of several hundred feet, was the first abode of the Aztecs before they built Tenochtitlan. At its base there is a magnificent grove of huge moss-draped cypress trees, dating from long before the conquest by Cortes. On the summit the castle is built, surrounded by marble paved terraces, bedecked with flowers.

The valley of Mexico, with its city, the lakes and the magnificent snow-capped volcanos, together make a picture of resplendent beauty.

THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND THE CANADIAN NURSE.

"BUFFALO, N. Y., December 18.—Immigration Inspector De Barry received from Washington, last night, notice of a new ruling by the Secretary of the Treasury on the alien labour law. This ruling is on the question that was raised in this city two years ago as to whether the Canadian trained nurses who come to this country to work in hospitals, do so in violation of the law.

"The Secretary of the Treasury has ruled that these nurses can be deported. As soon as Mr. De Barry received the notice of this new ruling he started out to get lists of the Canadian nurses in the hospitals. Mr. De Barry said last night that all of these nurses would be deported. Inspector Ezell, of Ogdensburg, is now at Dansville, where he went to deport five Canadian nurses, who are employed in a Sanitarium there."

The foregoing extract from the daily papers is pitiful. It reveals a depth of meanness with which we can scarcely credit any government in our own enlightened times. According to the same authority the great de Barry has signified his gracious intention not to interfere with the Canadian nurses already graduated and at work in that land of liberty, the United States; but HE will not allow any more to come in. Evidently the American trained nurse is getting crowded out. It looks as if the Canadians were too popular and that in order to protect home products intruders are warned off. If this view be correct it is a direct compliment to our nurses.

This method of making citizens rather smacks of the way in which Mahomet went to work. He went about with a Koran in one hand and a sword in the other and people took their choice. De Barry does not cut off their heads, that is illegal, but he deports them, threatening imprisonment and fine if they are ever seen again in the enlightened land over which wave the stars and stripes.

The whole matter looks like the child's quarrel so graphically described in the popular song a year or two ago, "You shan't play in my yard."