

the heart of the city, during ten days, without any advance, and flooding the Capital with blood. 2,950 were the number of dead and 5,260, the wounded. Butchery would have followed if General Huerta, Commander-in-chief of Madero, had not deserted him, making peace with Diaz. Madero and Pino Suarez were compelled to resign, and the cowardly Maderists Congress welcomed Huerta as Provisional President on February 19. A few days after, Madero and Suarez were killed at midnight by government forces under orders of the new tyranny. In Mexico City, Huerta has ruled in peace until today with an iron hand; trying to pacify the country, he has murdered thousands of persons, and sent to exile, Felix Diaz, Gomez, Rodolfo Reyes and other politicians that were conspiring against his rule. Huerta himself said at the time when he was seated in the presidential chair: "My sword is the law, and extermination by answer to my enemies." That statement paints him well.

When Venustiano Carranza, Governor of Coahuila, Francisco Villa, Commander in the State of Chihuahua, Jose Maria Maltorena, Governor of the State of Sonora and other governors all friendly to Madero, knew the fate of their boss, they immediately rose up in arms, not only guided by the spirit of revenge, but because they were not willing to lose positions that were giving them great wealth. They refused to recognize Huerta, and to the number of 35,000 men, have carried, during a year, a bloody war in Northern Mexico against the Federal troops, which in many places have met awful defeats. Villa has been distinguished by his energy, activity and bloodthirstyness, but he is hated all over the country by the workers.

Carranza, Villa and their followers call themselves "constitutionlists," and claim they are fighting for the enforcement of the Constitution tramped upon by General Huerta when he deserted Madero, and compelled him to resign.

If they succeed in putting Huerta out, or if Huerta sweeps these reformers away, the revolution will go ahead, and it is worth while to point out once more that the Southern Revolutionists, the Liberals and the Yaqui and Mayo Indians, and other guerillas scattered all over the country, amounting to 130,000 men, will not surrender their arms to any government. If Carranza or Villa are victorious, or Huerta maintains his present hold, they will follow the fight until they get what is stated in their Manifestos already given in this pamphlet. The workers do not want to go back to work for their masters. That is all. If victorious, Carranza or Villa would try to drive the workers again into slavery as they are supporters of the capitalist society. Therefore, they are hated, and fought by the proletariat.

## THE FOREIGN INTERESTS

International capitalists, but mainly American and British, have looked at Mexico as a land of the future since 1885. The great natural wealth and material resources of the country were then developed by foreign capital on a small scale. Being in the infancy of her possi-