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action; then deferred enterprises are taken up, orders are placed and the whole machinery of commerce and industry is set in motion. At the same time there is absolutely nothing in the situation to warrant extravagant hopes.

The probability of gold exports has excited some concern. Sterling exchange seems to have advanced partly on account of operations connected with the Japanese and Cuban loans and partly owing to short sales. No anxiety

is necessary over gold exports. As to the future of the stock market, it seems hardly likely that the bulls will readily relinquish their hold so long as crop prospects continue so brilliant. Strong leaders were at the bottom of the recent rise, and do not seem to have entirely withdrawn their support, especially as stocks are not sufficiently scattered to weaken the technical situation. All indications point, however, to a fluctuating market.

-Speaking of the idiosyncrasies of the English speech, the Nashville American wants to know if there is a better example of them than the fact that when you "best" a man you "worst" him. The answer is, No, except, perhaps, that when a man is "cleaned out" he's "all in."-Pittsburg Gazette

-The Winnipeg Commercial has a list of good business openings in the West, which it is adding to all the

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