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So Long, Jim.

OOD-BYE, old friend; full many a time together We've tramped it in the sunshine and the

Along life's pathway with unleashed tether, Through shadowy woods and o'er the

sky-bound plain; And many an hour by run and rushing river

We've watched the startled game with sportsman's zest,

Till sunset warned us back to camp and And rest.

Full many a night beneath the whispering cedars

We've lain in camp and smoked the pipe of peace,

And swapped tall stories of departed leaders

On flood and field or on the cricket crease; And if the absent needed a defender If ever man beneath the starry blue

Walked straight, shot true, ne'er let a friend go under, 'Twas you.

And as we know our Book, we'll try to see you;

By your example paddled on that shore Where we by God's sweet mercy may retrieve you

And stand by you forever, evermore So, for that little span the turf shall hide

While we remain to finish up life's song, We will not say good-bye for good : we'll bid vou "So long."

President Diaz's Retort.

PRESIDENT DIAZ of Mexico, a strong and rugged man, at times reminds Americans of Lincoln, and the similarity is particularly noticeable in his brief and pointed speeches and in his tendency to answer a question by telling an apt story. An American-born gentleman, now a resident of the City of Mexico, called on him some years ago, and suggested that, while it was evident to him that the