

The first time Colonel Roosevelt was afforded a good opportunity, during his visit, to express his views on the Monroe Doctrine was at a luncheon tendered our party in Montevideo. On this occasion, the President of Uruguay, in drinking to the health of his distinguished guest, referred to him in few but pregnant words, as the "defender of the Monroe Doctrine in the interests of the whole of America; the stanch partisan of international justice and of peace with honor; the fervent propagandist of force and character placed at the service of public welfare."

In replying to this toast Colonel Roosevelt said, concerning the Monroe Doctrine: "It is in no sense a doctrine of one-sided advantage; it is to be invoked only in the interest of all our commonwealths in the Western Hemisphere. It should be invoked by our nations in a spirit of mutual respect, and on a footing of complete equality

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of both right and obligation. Therefore, as soon as any country of the New World stands on a sufficiently high footing of orderly liberty and achieved success, of self-respecting strength, it becomes a guarantor of the doctrine on a footing of complete equality. I congratulate the countries of South America that I have visited and am about to visit that their progress is such, in justice, political stability and material prosperity, as to make them also the sponsors of the Monroe Doctrine, so that, as regards them, all that the United States has to do is to stand ready, as one of the great brotherhood of American nations, to join with them in upholding the doctrine should they at any time desire, in the interest of the Western Hemisphere, that we should do so."

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