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Admiral Yamamoto's trip to America has evidently produced an excellent effect. He and Viscount Aoki have visited the President at Oyster Bay and had a most friendly conversation. They have also spoken at a meeting of the Japanese Club in New York. These and other doings seem to have entirely taken the sting out of the yellow journals, and the only incident remaining, which can be used as an instrument for stirring up bad blood, is the alleged arrest of a Japanese officer at San Diego. As to this last affair, there is no further news, but we are persuaded that if it does not prove altogether false, it will certainly be shown to be a great exaggeration.

Mr. W. J. Bryan assigns three causes for the foolish rumours of war which were recently prevalent. One is want of circumspection on the part of statesmen who seek to mislead their countrymen for selfish purposes of their own; another, that the United States Government recently inaugurated a large programme of naval expansion; and the third, that manufacturers of warlike material find themselves over-stocked with goods and are anxious to contrive an outlet.