

THE REPORTED SALE OF CUBA CONTRA-DICTED.—The telegram which announced that the United States were negotiating with the Spanish government for the sale of Cuba and Porto Rico seems to be void of all foundation. Señor Roberts, the Spanish Minister, informed one of our reporters yesterday that the whole story was a hoax, and that Spain had not the least intention of selling Cuba or any of her West India possessions. Even if she ever had a mind to such a bargain she could no longer entertain the idea, now that the pacification of the island has been secured at the cost of so much blood and treasure.