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## TAFT'S GOOD WILL AND FRIENDSHIP FOR CUBA.

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Havana, March 10.—President W. H. Taft, replying to President Gomez's congratulatory message on his inauguration, says:

"It will be my pleasure and privilege to continue my distinguished predecessor's attitude of cordial friendship and good will toward Cuba. I offer you my heartiest good wishes."

The house of representatives has killed the bill after a hot debate, forbidding foreigners from acquiring property in Cuba. Under the amnesty law recently enacted 800 prisoners, including Maso Parra and his confederates, who were convicted of conspiring to overthrow the Magoon government, and Colonel Acea, a negro veteran of the war of independence, who is one of Cuba's most desperate criminals, were released.

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