

Panama, August 20, 1875.

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Sir,

Taking into consideration the necessity that exists in this city of a journal which will include without any restriction, topics of interest to all parties, and especially to those engaged in commercial, agricultural and other industrial pursuits we have resolved to publish from the 1st September proximo, a new journal in English and Spanish twice a week, under the title of

## THE ISTHMIAN COURIER.

The object of this journal in general is the public good, nevertheless it is not pretended for one moment that its conductors are without political principles, but these will always be freely discussed upon liberal and strictly logical bases, and above all free from personality or even the slightest semblance of it. Touching questions relative to the government these will be freely and independently treated, always within the limits of the law and constitution, censuring when there appears to be any infringement of either the one or the other, and sustaining it when its acts are strictly in accordance with them and this without reference to party or bias of any kind. The capital principle and object of this periodical is to sustain fully commerce and industry, especially the encouragement of new enterprises the object of which is the development of the vast resources of this State in particular, and the Nation in general. To this end we have established extensive relations with the other States of the Colombian Union and with the Republics of South and Central America so that we will always be in a position to supply promptly news from all these parts, equally from Europe, Great Britain and the United States of America, especially such intelligence as in any way interests the mercantile community of this State and its Capital. Believing that true progress depends on intellectual culture we will always devote a reasonable space to matters of science and literature, but not at the sacrifice of space needed for subjects of more practical and immediate importance.

Having thus stated in brief terms the object of this new enterprise we beg to solicit your favorable patronage not only in subscription but in advertisements, with the assurance that all necessary arrangements have been made to secure a wide and extensive circulation, as well as permanency to this journal

Awaiting your favorable answer we beg to subscribe ourselves,

Yours respectfully,

Manuel B. de la Torre e Hijos.

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