

SPAIN'S LONG REPLY

Madrid Government Declines to Make the Document Public.

FULL TEXT TO BE CABLED TO WASHINGTON

Will Not Be Published Till Senate Has Scrutinized It.

OFFICIALS ARE VERY CLOSE-MOUTHED

Learned from Other Sources that Reply is Energetic in Tone.

SPAIN EXPECTS TO END INSURRECTION

Hopes the Granting of Autonomy and the Withdrawal of American Support Will Shortly Bring This About.

MADRID, Oct. 26.—The Spanish government refuses to furnish for publication the text of the note of Spain which has been handed to the United States minister here, General Stewart L. Woodford, as an answer to the communication which the general placed in the hands of the duke of Tetuan early in September last, when the latter was minister for foreign affairs, on the subject of the insurrection in the island of Cuba. The United States minister admits having received Spain's reply to the note of the United States, but he declines to discuss the matter beyond saying that the text of the Spanish answer will be immediately transmitted to Washington.

From other sources it was learned that the officials of the United States legation were engaged today in translating Spain's answer, and it was reported that the United States minister would cable to Washington today the full text of the Spanish note. Although the government of Spain will not give out the text of the reply to the United States on the subject of Cuba, it was officially announced that the reply of the Spanish minister for foreign affairs, Senor Guillen, is on the following lines: It expresses regret at the fact that the insurrection in Cuba "receives support from frequent American filibustering expeditions" and that otherwise the rebellion in Cuba would possibly end earlier. It is urged by the Spanish government that by granting autonomy to Cuba and the withdrawing of American support of the insurgents, the insurrection will shortly be ended.

ENERGETIC IN TONE. It is further officially announced that the Spanish note is marked throughout by an energetic tone. According to the reports in official circles here, the United States minister will confine himself to acknowledging the receipt of the Spanish reply, and after forwarding it to the United States government will request instructions from Washington before proceeding any further in the matter.

It is not expected that the text of the answer of Spain will be published here before the senate has had the opportunity of deliberating upon it, and therefore it is understood that the text of the document may not be published in the United States until after the reassembly of congress. But before congress reassembles the first Monday in December, otherwise December 6, it is expected by the Spanish officials here that the condition of affairs in Cuba, so far as the insurrection in that island is concerned, will have considerably improved and that therefore the whole question will have assumed a brighter aspect.

Finally, it is announced from official sources, the Spanish government has determined to pursue a new policy toward Cuba and to take more energetic military action against the insurgents.

LEARNED AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—Confirmation from official sources is given that the Spanish authorities at Madrid delivered to Minister Woodford last evening, the answer of Spain to the representations of the United States contained in Mr. Woodford's instructions. Under these circumstances it is not doubted that the United States minister has advised the department here of the reply. The text of the reply is known to be very lengthy, so much so that it is doubtful whether the full answer will be sent by cable. If this is attempted, however, it will be a long and laborious process of translation and transmission, the original Spanish being first translated to English, then reduced to cipher, then cabled, then translated back from cipher to English. As the actual delivery of the document to Mr. Woodford's hands did not occur until late yesterday, those processes would delay the receipt of the text probably beyond today, if any attempt was made to cable it in full. The statement is reaffirmed by officials that no publicity of the Woodford instructions or of Spain's answer will be made at Madrid or Washington, until after the assembling of congress, and it is generally believed that the two governments have reached an understanding as to holding back the letters for the present.

LITTLE FAITH IN NEW CABINET.

Spaniards in Havana Think Autonomy Party Will Fail.

HAVANA, Oct. 26.—The failure of the autonomy party of the new Spanish cabinet seems more and more apparent every day. Dissensions are known to exist among the autonomist leaders and the conservatives have pronounced themselves strongly opposed to the granting of an autonomous form of government to Cuba, and have, so to say, washed their hands of the affair, if the government at Madrid persists in carrying out the plans of Premier Sagasta. The conservatives last night held a meeting in this city lasting four hours, at which several speeches were made in opposition to the policy of autonomy for Cuba and it was agreed that the conservative party should oppose autonomy in the next cabinet in the Sagasta cabinet in this direction. The conservatives also criticized their president, the Marquis Apeztegui, who is now in Madrid, for his autonomist declarations.

Senor Francisco de los Santos Guzman, a leading conservative and a deputy, protested strongly against the new policy of the Spanish government, classing it as political suicide. The speaker warmly criticized the Madrid government because it had not availed itself of the granting of an autonomous form of government to the autonomist party which has remained loyal during the war in spite of the insults of the rebel juntas of New York and Paris, asserting that the government was availing itself of the services of reformists who had suddenly transferred themselves into autonomists, instancing the appointment of

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The campaign committee of the Henry George forces decided tonight after long deliberating not to formally invite W. J. Bryan to come to New York. It was stated that the Henry George forces believe they now have Tammany at a disadvantage in this respect. They believe Mr. Bryan has refused to come in response to an invitation from Tammany and this is practically a victory for Henry George. If Mr. Bryan were asked to come in the interests of Henry George and should refuse the Georgeites argue that it would reduce them to the level of Tammany in Bryan's estimation.

REPUBLICAN MASS MEETING.

A republican mass meeting was held in the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, under the auspices of the McKinley war veterans in the interests of the Tracy ticket. The attendance was hardly up to the mark of those which have preceded it, but there was no lack of enthusiasm. Several veterans of local prominence spoke before the arrival of Corporal Tanner and General Tracy, who reached the hall late and addressed the meeting.

FRANKFURTER ZEITUNG GIVES REASON FOR THE CAR'S ACTION IN REFUSING TO RECEIVE THE GRAND DUKE AND GRAND DUCHESS OF BADEN AT DARMSTADT.

The Frankfurt Zeitung gives as the reason for the car's action in refusing to receive the grand duke and grand duchess of Baden at Darmstadt, the fact that the crown prince of Baden wooed the czar's sister, the present Grand Duchess