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BERLIN, Jan. 1.—President Castro's reply to the powers, through Minister Bowen, is substantially an unqualified acceptance of their proposals to arbitrate, and the accompanying conditions. The Foreign Office here received his answer today, and is satisfied with its spirit. A further interchange of views, preparatory to signing the protocol, will take place in Washington.

The only really important question to be settled is what is to be the treatment of the blockade. A continuation of the blockade is relied upon to hasten the conclusion of the arbitration preliminaries, especially on the part of Venezuela.

NO FEAR OF DIFFICULTY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The rejoinders of the European Foreign Offices to President Castro's reply to their arbitration proposal have not reached Washington. This, however, causes no surprise, as the holidays are much more closely observed in European capitals than in Washington.

Following the rule which it has adopted in the treatment of correspondence passing between Venezuela and the allies the State Department still declines to make public any information respecting the details of President Castro's reply, but in inquiry confirms the Associated Press report from Rome to the effect that Castro did attach a condition to the acceptance of the arbitration proposal, and that condition was not endorsed by the Washington Government. However, it is pointed out that it has not been regarded as necessary at the State Department either to approve or disapprove of any of the proposals now in exchange between the principals.

As to the conditions attached to the acceptance, it can be stated that it is not of great consequence, nor is it likely to involve the loss of the arbitration project, for it is understood to relate rather to the means of getting the issue to arbitration than to any substantial principle involved.

PEACE DEPENDS ON ALLIES.

Castro Says So, Not Having Rejected Arbitration Plan.

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The President was then questioned as to whether or not he would renounce the Presidency, and if it was his purpose to make a change in the present Cabinet. He replied: "People are at liberty to talk whatever nonsense they want to, I will make a change in the Cabinet when the present serious question is ended."

CANT ACCEPT HIS CONDITIONS.

Italy Objects to New Proposal Made by Castro.

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At the New Year's diplomatic reception today, Foreign Minister Prinetti and Ambassador Meyer exchanged congratulations over the anticipated settlement by arbitration of the Venezuelan troubles. Senator Prinetti expressed his appreciation of the attitude of the United States and his satisfaction at the State Department's action throughout the affair.

While reserve is maintained at the Foreign Office with respect to the Venezuelan matter, it has been learned that the Foreign Office considers the additional proposition made by President Castro as not likely of acceptance. Communications on this subject are now being exchanged with Germany and Great Britain.

NOT VIEWS OF GERMANY.

Boguslawski's Denunciation of Monroe Doctrine Not Sent Official.

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INSULT ADDED TO INJURY.

Appearance of Venezuelan Gunboat Flying British Flag.

LA GUAYRA, Jan. 1.—The ex-Venezuelan gunboat Zumbador, now transformed into a British warship, arrived here at noon today and caused considerable indignation among the people ashore, who looked upon her arrival here under the British flag, especially on New Year's day, as an insulting injury.

The Italian armored cruiser Carlo Alberto arrived here at 1 P. M. today.

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Senator Mallory, of Florida, who is quite influential in Southern politics, has announced Judge Parker, of New York, as his choice for President. He speaks in high praise of Gorman and Oney, but says they cannot unite the party, which is necessary if the Democrats hope to make a showing in the next campaign.

Senator Turner, of Washington, reached the city last night. He says Ankeny at this time is the most promising candidate for the Iowa office, but the contest is by no means over. He says:

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