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tent to put herself on moderate allow-

ance in the matter of revolutions. In Porto Cabello, less than 70 years Venezuela has indulged in the luxury of 104 revolutions. the Venezuelan government has asked Three revolutions in two years seems United States Minister Bowen to act to be altogether unreasonable." as arbitrator in the controversy with Great Britain and Germany. The Eng-

FRANCE WILL PROTEST

Scining of Venezuelan Customs Is Op posed to Her Interests.

WASHING FON, Dec. 12 .--- If there is in attempt to possess the receipts of Autocratic Conduct Of President Not all the customs of Venezuela on the part of Great Britain and Germany : protest may naturally be expected to Pietro Gonzales, a merchant of Carafollow from France, which holds claims aggregating more than the combined trip through the United States, has claims of England and Germany, and

Venezuela it is understood has already last night he said: arranged for .heir payment on an in-"President Castro is a man of abstallment plan out of customs receipts, an arrangement that might be disturbed by the British and German seizure

fail.

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of the customs, to bring about a union of the South It is evident here now that the allies have been obliged to proceed against self at the head of it. Venezuela far beyond the point of the

original program. Correspondence shows that there was present imbroglio and, if necessary not the least approhension that Castro, will support his operations against in his resistance, would make it neces-England and Germany.

sary for Great Britain and Germany "The conservative people in Veneto to beyond a peaceful blockade and zuela are strongly opposed to his agit is the understanding that London gressive policy. The radical element and Berlin authorities now are obliged however, is with him in the bellef that to prepare a new program for execution Venezuela is powerful enough to re-

in case Bowen's efforts at arbitration sist England and Germany." SPAIN WANTS WARSHIPS

ORDERS WERE TO CAPTURE. Report That Offer Has Been Made to No Instructions Given Commander to Purchase Chilean Vessels.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 .- The Herald's Valparaiso correspondent says it is reinquiries made regarding the reported ported that Spain has offered to pur-

lish telephone office here has been

CASTRO IS TOO AMBITIOUS.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 12 .- Miguel Alma

seized.

and one cruiser, but the government Guayra, the correspondent of the Associated Press is informed that the or- has kept the offer, if there has been ders given to German and British com- one, secret.

situation he said: "The United States has not at any time asserted the right It is stated on good authority that to interfere for the protection of any of the South American states against the demands of a European nation seeking the payment of claims. On the contrary, our government has again and again disclaimed any right to interfere in such cases."

NO PLAGUE IN CALIFORNIA.

Report of Government Representative Says No Bubonic.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12 .- The cas, Venezuela, who is on a business Call says that Dr. A. H. Glenno, the accredited representative of the United arrived in Chicago. In an interview States government, is preparing a report to Surgeon-Coneral Wyman of the marine hospital service at Washnormal ambition and believes that ington, D. C., to the effect that there some day he will be the Diaz of Ven- has never been bubonic plague in Calcauela. It is said to be his ambition ifornia. Dr. Giennon's report will gu further and declare that after a tho-American republics and to place him- rough and exhaustive investigation the bacillus supposed to be of the plague is "He evidently thinks that the Unit- that of chicken cholera, a comparaed States will side with him in the tively harmless disease

> MRS. ROOSEVELT ENTERTAINS First Prominent Social Function of the

Season at White House, WASHINGTON, Dec 12-Mrs. Roose

velt received Washington society this afternoon at a tea given in the White House. It was the first large social function of the winter's season tender ed at the executive mansion.

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Monthly Banquet Given by Order It Chicago.

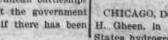
CHICAGO, Dec. 12 .-- Rear-Admiral E. H. Gheen, in charge of the United

States hydrographic bureau, and Cap-

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Sink Venezuelan Vessels, BERLIN, Dec. 13.-As a result of the sinking of Venezuelan vessels off La chase the two new Chilean battleships