## MESSAGE

The President Expresses His Ideas of Our Needs.

MUCH SPACE IS GIVEN TO CUBA

He Thinks Spain Can Settle the Trouble Honorably to Herself by Granting Autonomy to Cuba.

We give below a portion of that part of the president's message relating to Cuba.

DEMAND FOR INTERVENTION.

The inevitable entanglements of the United States with the rebellion in Cuba, the large American property interests affected, and considerations of insurgents, a proposition no longer weighed because its untimely an impracand injurious to our interests. It has since been and is now sometimes contended that the independence of the insurgents should be recognized. But, imperfect and restricted as the Spanish government of the island may be, no Cuba nor have failed to realize the exother exists there, unless the will of the tent of conceded grievances which have present state of things for even a short military officer in temporary command led to the present revolt from the auof a particular district can be dignified as a species of government. It is now also suggested that the United States should buy the island-a suggestion possibly worthy of consideration if there were any evidence of a desire or willing- reforms proposed by the executive and ness on the part of Spain to entertain approved by the legislative branch of above indicated may be at once inaugusuch a proposal. It is urged, finally, that, all other methods failing, the existing internecine strife in Cuba should be terminated by our intervention, even grievances, fortified by indications of above lined or in any other way consistat the cost of a war between the United influential public opinion in Spain, that ent with our constitution and laws, will States and Spain-a war which its advocates confidently prophecy could nei- the most promising and effective means ther be large in its proportions nor doubtful in its issue.

A CHARACTER TO MAINTAIN.

The correctness of this forecast need jects of the insurrection. be neither affirmed nor denied. The United States has, nevertheless, a character to maintain as a nation, which should be the rule of its conduct.

Further, though the United States is

her dominions has constituted no ex- honor, which will be consulted rather to perform again for some time. ception to this national disposition is than impugned by the adequate redress 'Langslow has been injured before in made manifest by the course of our gov- of admitted grievances. It would put the same manner, once in Berlin, when ernment, not only thus far during the the property of the island and the for- the globe fell 10 or 12 feet and struck present insurrection, but during the tunes of its inhabitants within their own him. Yara in 1868. No other great power, it and ancient ties which bind them to the may safely be said, under circumstances of similar perplexity, would have mani- them to test their capacity for self-govfested the same restraint and the same ernment under the most favorable conpatient endurance.

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philanthropy and humanity in general, ties of the Spanish people, nor fail to have led to a vehement demand in vari- fully recognize their splendid patriotism ous quarters for some sort of positive and their chivalrous devotion to the intervention on the part of the United national honor. They view with won-States. It was at first proposed that der and admiration the cheerful resolubelligerent rights should be accorded the tions with which vast bodies of men are sent across thousands of miles of ocean and an enormous debt accumulated that tical operation would be clearly perflous the costly possession of the Gem of the Antilles may still hold its place in the Spanish crown.

And yet neither the government nor the people of the United States have shut their eyes to the course of events in thority of Spain, grievances recognized by the queen regent and by the cortes, voiced by the most patriotic and enthe Spanish government. It is in the rated and pushed to an immediate suc-Spanish government to remedy these United States, either in the manner this government has hoped to discover always be at the disposal of either party.

AUTONOMY FOR CUBA.

It would seem that if Spain should often years that followed the rising of control, without severing the natural mother country, and would yet enable It has been objected on the one side

It may also be said that this persist- that Spain would not promise autonomy tions or other preparations." ent attitude of the United States towards until her insurgent subjects lay down Spain in connection with Cuba unques- their arms; on the other side, that tionably evinces no slight respect and promised autonomy, however liberal, is regard for Spain on the part of the insufficient, because without assurance or more, and have never found anything American people. They, in truth, do of the promise being fulfilled. But the not forget her connection with the dis- reasonableness of the requirement by Try this Ideal Cough Remedy now. Trial covery of the Western hemisphere, nor Spain of unconditional surrender on the do they underestimate the great quali- part of the insurgent Cubans before their Drng Store. autonomy is conceded, is not altogether apparent. It ignores important features of the situation: The stability two bruses, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever years' duration has given to the insur- sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, If you are going to boil rection the feasibility of its indefinite corns, and all skin eruptions, and posiyour tea, one tea is about prolongation in the nature of things as tively cures piles, or no pay required shown by past experience; the utter It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfacand imminent ruin of the island unless tion, or money refunded. Price 25 cents the present strife is speedily composed, per box. For sale by Blakeley and and, above all, the rank abuses which Houghton, druggists. tions, try Schilling's Best. all parties in Spain, all branches of her government, and all her leading public Cake soap, and wish we had told you men concede to exist and profess a de-

Facing such circumstances, to withhold the proffer of needed reforms until

selves at the mercy of Spain by throwing down their arms, has the appearance of neglecting the gravest of the perils and inviting suspicion as to the sincerity of any professed willingness to grant reforms. The objection on behalf of the insurgents-that the promised reforms cannot be relied upon-must, of course, be considered, though we have no right to assume and no reason for assuming that anything Spain undertakes to do for the relief of Cuba will not be done according to both the spirit and the letter of the undertaking.

A WAY OUT OF IT.

Nevertheless, realizing that suspicions on the part of the weaker of the two combatants are always natural and not always unjustifiable, being sincerely desirous in the interest of both as well as on our own account that the Cuban problem should be solved with the least possible delay, it was intimated by this government to the government of Spain some months ago that if a satisfactory measure of home rule were tendered the Cuban insurgents, and would be accepted by them upon guaranty of its execution, the United States would endeavor to find a way not objectionable to Spain of furnishing such guaranty.

While no definite response to this intimation has yet been received from the Spanish government. It is believed to be not altogether unwelcome, while as already suggested, no reason is perceived why it should not be approved by the insurgents. Neither party can fail to see the importance of early action, and both must realize that to prolong the and labor and expenditure necessary to bring about the industrial recuperation of the island. It is, therefore, fervently lightened of Spanish statesmen without hoped on all grounds that earnest efforts regard to party, and demonstrated by for healing the breach between Spain and the insurgent Cubans upon the lines assumed temper and disposition of the cessful issue. The friendly offices of the

Whatever policy may arise, our policy of composing the present strife with and our interest would constrain us to honor and advantage to Spain and with object to the acquisition of the island or the achievment of all the ostensible ob- to any interference with its control by any other power.

Accident in a Theater.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7 .- Herr Langsfer to Cuba genuine autonomy-a meas- low, a tightwire performer and marksplainly dictates that right and not might ure of home rule, which, while preserv- man, was severely injured during a pering the sovereignty to Spain, would formance at the Orpheum yesterday aftsatisfy all rational requirements of her ernoon. His wife, whose stage name is not a nation to which peace is a neces. Spanish subjects—there should be no Ellen Vetter, entered a large iron ball sity, it is, in truth, the most pacific of just reason why the pacification of the and rolled it up a spiral track to a height powers, and desires nothing so much as island might not be effected on that of 12 feet, but in descending lost control to live in amity with all the world. Its basis. Such a result would appear to be of the ball, which started down rapidly, own ample and diversified domain satis- in the true interest of all concerned. It and when about 10 feet from the stage fies all possible longings for territory, would stop at once the conflict which is jumped the track. Langelow, who from precludes all claims of conquest and now consuming the resources of the the wings was watching his wife, saw prevents any casting of covetous eyes island and making it worthless for her danger, and endeavored to break her upon neighboring regions, however at- whichever party may ultimately pre- fall. He succeeded, but the heavy globe vail. It would keep intact the posses- struck him on the right shoulder, caus-That our conduct towards Spain and sions of Spain without touching her ing a dislocation. He will not be able

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