GEN. URIBE IN COLOMBIA

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It was learned yesterday that Gen. Rafael Uribe Uribe, the Colombian revolutionary leader, whose disappearance from the city was reported some time ago, had gone to Colombia. He is now supposed to be at the head of an insurgent army. Dr. A. J. Restrepo, the Colombian diplomatic representative here, and Raoul Perez, who was the General's secretary, were questioned upon the subject. They readily admitted that the General was in Colombia, but said they expected a cable from him to-day.

"The General," said Mr. Perez, "has all the supplies and elements of war he desires at his command. Some time ago he issued a manifesto asking his fellows in arms to cease the struggle. He sent this to Colombia by Col. Murillo. The latter went under a passport and permission issued by the Minister at Washington. But when he arived there he was at once thrown into prison. Finally he was ordered to take ship out of the country. He attempted to return on the Allegheny, with the result as printed in to-day's papers.

"The Colombian Government had promised that if Uribe Uribe issued the manifesto they would release a number of political prisoners, among whom are two brothers of the General, Dr. Tomas and Julian. This has not been done. All of these things incensed the General. He had advised his fellows to lay down their arms on the ground that ammunition was scarce. He at once set about raising money for an expedition.

"There has always been in Colombia a certain antagonism between the Freemasons and the priests and Jesuits. This feeling was utilized in the plans for the supplies. Freemasons all over the world contributed money to the sum of some $200,000. Dr. Restrepo traveled extensively in Europe in the interests of the movement, and while in Belgium purchased 15,000 Mauser rifles of the most advanced type. In addition there were remaining in the country from the last revolution, or rather from the time when fighting stopped for a time, some 40,000 more rifles.

"So the General has enough guns. What he particularly wanted was ammunition. The doctor also purchased in Belgium 2,000,000 cartridges, in addition to those purchased here. These were all shipped months ago in sailing vessels, labeled potatoes, asparagus, &c.

"In his Colombian operations Gen. Uribe Uribe will have the assistance of Gens. Herrerra and Marin and their armies. The latter has never surrendered and still remains with his 3,000 men in the interior of the Department of Tolima. We are unwilling to state the precise whereabouts of the General now, but by to-morrow we expect complete cable advices from him. If the Liberal Party, of which he is the military head, succeeds in overthrowing the Government of the Conservatives, the French Panama Canal Company will be notified that all of its concessions are valueless. They were told some time ago that if they bought concessions when the Government was willing to sell that it might have funds for fighting the revolution they would gain nothing in the event of a Liberal success."

Colombian Consul General Arturo de Brigard said yesterday that he thought Gen. Uribe Uribe was either in Maracaibo or Curacao. At the Maritime Exchange yesterday it was said that Herbert O. Jeffries, said to hold a high position in the military service of Colombia, is in the city. He had been negotiating for the purchase of large stores of supplies, and had been ascertaining what vessels in these waters that could easily be turned into ships of war were for sale. He is reported as saying that Uribe Uribe had been planning movements on a large scale, and that important information had been gained by the Colombian Government after Murillo left Savinalla on the Allegheny, from which vessel he was taken ashore a prisoner.

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