

BOLIVIA.

PROTECTION OF CUBAN INTERESTS BY UNITED STATES CONSULAR OFFICIALS.

Mr. Barber to Mr. Hay.

No. 341.]

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES,
La Paz, Bolivia, June 2, 1902.

SIR: In reference to the Department's telegram^a of May 24, I have the honor to now inclose copy of note No. 42 of the Bolivian foreign office, and translation thereof, recognizing the right of United States consular officers to represent the interests of Cuba and of Cuban citizens within Bolivia until Cuban consuls be appointed.

Following the Department's instructions, I have notified the United States vice-consul in this city that this permission has been granted.

I have, etc.,

REGINALD D. BARBER.

[Inclosure.—Translation.]

Mr. Villazon to Mr. Barber.

No. 42.]

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS AND RELIGION,
La Paz, Bolivia, May 27, 1902.

SIR: I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your honor's attentive note, dated the 26th instant, in which you are pleased to inform me that the Department of State has sent you instructions by telegraph, on behalf of the President of the Republic of Cuba, to request the Bolivian Government that the United States consular officers in this country may use their good offices for the protection of Cuban citizens until such time as Cuban consuls may be named.

In reply I may state that my Government accedes with pleasure to your request, and recognizes in the United States consuls the right to represent the interests of Cuban citizens until the Republic of Cuba may name its own consuls.

I have, etc.,

ELIODORO VILLAZON.

PROTECTION OF BRITISH INTERESTS IN BOLIVIA BY UNITED STATES OFFICIALS.

Mr. Hay to Mr. Sorsby.

No. 8.]

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, October 4, 1902.

SIR: I am advised by the British chargé d'affaires ad interim at this capital that his Government is desirous that you shall exercise your good offices in behalf of British subjects in Bolivia, as was done by your predecessor, Mr. Bridgman.

You may bring the matter to the attention of the Bolivian Government and state that if agreeable to it you will continue the use of good offices in behalf of British subjects in Bolivia, on the same lines as your predecessor, until a representative of His Majesty's Government shall be appointed.

I am, etc.,

JOHN HAY.

Mr. Sorsby to Mr. Hay.

No. 27.]

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES,
La Paz, December 27, 1902.

SIR: Acknowledging the receipt of the Department's No. 8, of October 4 last, relative to the request of the British Government, through its chargé d'affaires ad interim at Washington, that the good offices of this legation be used in behalf of British subjects in Bolivia until a representative of that Government shall be appointed, I have the honor to report that in an interview on the 16th instant Dr. Eliodoro Villazon, the Bolivian minister for foreign affairs, expressed his willingness and satisfaction that the good offices of this legation should be used as heretofore in behalf of British subjects in Bolivia.

I have, etc.,

WILLIAM B. SORSBY.