

Chicago, June 22, 1912.

Hon. William H. Taft,
President of United States,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

Secretary Hilles has suggested that I write you whether my friends and myself will be able to accept your kind invitation to dine on Tuesday night the 25th instant, and I beg to state ⁱⁿ the names of Governor Colton, Mr. Bohn, Mr. Fagardo, Mr. Veve and myself, that unless we are detained here over ~~Saturday~~ we will surely attend said dinner.

Secretary Hilles in his letter states that General Edwards will be at the dinner, and I hereby take the liberty of suggesting that in case the ^{General} should not be in the country Colonel McIntyre be invited in his stead.

As matters stand at this writing, ^{10 AM.} Saturday, unless some unforeseen obstacle should be put in the way, it seems that we may reach the nomination sometime tonight, and I know that you are assured that you will be nominated and vindicated by this loyal republican convention.

Permit me, Mr. President, to offer you in advance my sincere congratulations, only regretting that I cannot promise you any electoral votes in the name of the Porto Ricans.

Believe me to remain,

Very sincerely,