

be my duty to notify you that, although the considerations pointed out in it have already ended, our country has been scourged by small-pox. which has taken up all our physicians' activities and time, depriving them of going into scientific works. And, as that state of mind of our people and government after such calamities as war and epidemic, would greatly interfere with the good success of our next meeting, I beg leave to tell you, in order that you will convey it to the International Executive Committee, that our Government and this Commission would be grateful to have the meeting which was to take place in Caracas in December, 1899, adjourned for one year later. I am, dear Doctor,

Yours respectfully,

THE PRESIDENT.

(Signed) DR. JOSÉ MANUEL DE LOS RIOS.

In accordance with the request of the Government of Venezuela and of the Committee on Organization, the III Pan American Medical Congress is hereby postponed to meet in Caracas in December, 1900.

For the International Executive Commission.

CHARLES A. L. REED,
Secretary