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The first announcement of the Estrada army campaign came in a cablegram to Dr. Castrillo, the representative here of the provisional government. The cablegram said: "Complete victory. The Zelaya troops are in retreat."

Later this evening the State Department gave out the following from Consul Morratt, which had been sent by wireless telegraph from Bluefields and received here by General Castrillo: "The Zelayan forces were completely routed and defeated the forces of Zelaya after a desperate fight of several hours. The Zelayan forces were commanded by General Gonzales. A great number of prisoners were taken and 150 prisoners of Zelayan troops were killed. The occupied what has been considered a strong position. The official fell mortally during the attack tomorrow and forcing their surrender."

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It now appears that the railway companies have decided to remove last one of the premier's pretenses. The C. P. R. stands ready to grant \$500,000 to the fair. The Canadian Northern railway company and the Grand Trunk Pacific railway company will each grant a similar amount, provided the holding of the fair is delayed till 1912 or 1914, when the two latter companies hope to have connected with their eastern lines with their western lines.

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