SYMPATHY FOR THE CUBAN

LARGE MEETING HELD IN NEW YORK.

The natives of Cuba say they are ready with men and money to help the cause of Cuban independence. The revolutionary sentiment is very strong.

NEW YORK, May 2.—"Viva Cuba! Viva Cuba! Viva Cuba!" shouted about 1,000 men in a hall at a meeting of the New York sympathizers of the Cuban revolutionary party. More than half of the Cuban male population had assembled to give evidence of their support to the movement. Among some of the prominent workers were Benjamin J. Guerra, treasurer of the Cuban revolutionary party in America, Senor de Quesada, Tomas Estrada Palma, ex-president of the short-lived Cuban republic; Antonio V. Alvarado, editor of the Gaceta Del Pueblo; Sotero Figueroa and Manuel Velez Alvarado.

Gonzalo de Quesada, the secretary of the local league, said: "This meeting has been called to demonstrate our adherence to the revolutionary movement which has broken out in Cuba, and although the Spanish claim it has been completely put down, we are informed to the contrary. All news published in the Spanish press comes over the Spanish cables, and it is colored to fit their interest. This is to enliven all Cubans to procure money for them, and, of course, if the present movement should fail we will go on just the same, struggling for independence. We are the only country that is not free in America, and we have a large enough population, sufficient education and industries to constitute a nation by ourselves. For that purpose we want American sympathy and we are sure of it. We expect to have an American meeting soon, and if we are sure the island is in a state of revolution, we shall take further measures to assist our friends in Cuba."

Juan Traga, the chairman, in opening the meetin, said in part: "There are times of need. We must not content ourselves with empty phrases and imp-