

# TELEGRAMS.

## CUBA.

**The Recent Excitement in Havana—  
Capture of the Town of Mayajigua  
by the Insurgents.**

HAVANA, Tuesday, Feb. 23.

Gen. DULCE has issued a proclamation addressed to the volunteers, announcing that he is about to commence a vigorous campaign against the rebels yet in arms. He tells the volunteers that they have been misled by the machinations of their enemies, and advises them to remain quiet and obey their superior officers.

The citizens were greatly alarmed, and intense excitement and agitation prevailed all day yesterday, but partially subsided in the evening, when it was known that the danger had been averted by the firmness of Gen. DULCE. The plans of the volunteers were discovered early in the day, and the officers went among the men and exhorted them to abstain from violent acts, and to obey the authorities. But the influence of the officers was not strong enough, and it is certain that the resolute conduct of the Captain-General and Gen. ESPINAR, of the regular army, alone prevented the commission of disgraceful acts.

The insurgents had a battle with the troops at Mayajigua, near Remedios, and defeated them, capturing the town. Accounts are received of smaller engagements in the vicinity of Trinidad, Cienfuegos and Villa Clara, with results sometimes in favor of the rebels and sometimes in favor of the troops. The rebels have got possession of a tug on the Damuji River, leading into Jagua Bay.

A dispatch from Spain was received yesterday afternoon, announcing the organization of a force of 3,000 Catalan volunteers for service in Cuba.

NOON.—The city is quiet. The volunteers are guarding the streets and walls as usual. The agitation of the two preceding days has abated. The weather is very hot.

The *Prensa* publishes as authentic accounts of the situation in the Central Department. It says persons living in the country abandon their houses and estates, and take refuge in the cities. Insurgents are to be found in every province of the Department. They subsist on the country, but take only the property of Spaniards. The rebels in the jurisdiction of Cienfuegos have artillery, and their cavalry is well mounted. The troops sent in pursuit of them are infantry. The *Prensa* adds that it is useless to indulge in illusions as to the state of affairs in the interior; "we must acknowledge that the condition of the inhabitants could not be worse."

There is no other political news of importance.

HAVANA, Tuesday, Feb. 23—Evening.

The City of Sagua la Grande has been declared in a state of siege. An insurgent force, 400 strong, is operating in that jurisdiction. Several plantations have been laid waste, and the buildings on them destroyed by the rebels, in the vicinity of Sagua and Remedios.