

comment, the proclamation of Queen Victoria, declaring the Confederates of America belligerents.

HAVANA, Oct. 10.—The Governor of Sagua la Grande has issued an order directing that hereafter the stores in that city shall be closed Sunday afternoon, in order to show a better observance of the Sabbath.

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**Condition of the Hornet at Wilmington—
The Spanish Gunboat Story a Fiction—
Another Expedition Off—The Seat of War.**

WILMINGTON, N. C., Oct. 9.—The coal was removed from the steamer *Cuba* to-day. She had but ten tons on board, barely enough to steam eight hours, which is evidence that she came in in distress.

A rumor that several Spanish gunboats are outside this port, waiting for the *Cuba*, created considerable excitement here, but proves to be without foundation.

NEW-ORLEANS, Oct. 9.—This evening's *Times* says: "We learn on undoubted authority that the steamship *Lillian* arrived at Cedar Keys in time, took on board her freight and passengers, and sailed without being molested. Parties in search of her came too late.

HAVANA, Oct. 9.—Another detachment left Havana to-day for the seat of war. Coasting steamers and Spanish men-of-war are actively engaged in cruising along the coast. It is one year to-day since the insurrection broke out in Yara. *La Voz de Cuba* to-day publishes, without