

The Cuban Insurrection.

Some correspondent has received letters from an American gentleman in Cuba, giving information as to the condition of affairs there, which can be regarded as perfectly trustworthy. The writer who until recently was with the insurgents, says that the insurrection is more extensive than generally supposed, and that the success of the Cuban cause is only a question of time.

The insurgents have about fifty thousand men under arms, distributed over the Island; but of these not over two-fifths are provided with fire-arms, while the remainder are armed with large knives and such instruments as can be used to advantage in close quarters. Notwithstanding a strict surveillance is kept over the various large harbors, several small cargoes of assorted arms have been successfully landed and distributed.

The leaders are confident that with sufficient arms, fully one hundred and seventy-five thousand men, including late slaves, can be placed under arms, which will, they assert, be force enough to drive the Spanish troops from the main land to the forts. Until they are fully supplied with arms, their plans seem to divide their forces into small detachments and keep up a constant guerilla warfare, which serves to divide the Spanish troops, and requires them to be constantly on the march.

The wet season has begun much earlier than usual this year, and this has given great encouragement to the insurgents, as it is an indication that yellow fever is sure to prevail to an alarming extent, which will be likely to make a fearful havoc among the Spanish troops, who are not acclimated, and therefore liable to have their ranks depleted from marching in the heat of the day, and laying out in heavy dews at night. If the Spanish troops can be kept moving through the summer months, but little doubt is entertained that one-half or two-thirds will die with sickness, before the cool weather again appears.

The writer says that the Spanish troops are being armed as rapidly as possible, with Remington rifles, which are bought in the United States by the Spanish government, but that their discipline is very bad, and it is with the greatest difficulty that the officers can control or make them obey orders. It is said here with great positiveness this morning, that Gen. Steedman has effected a landing on the shores of Cuba with some four or five hundred men well armed and equipped.