

WASHINGTON.

Suicide of Another Frenchman—A Sad Life—Frauds on Soldiers—Reports on Cuba—Mrs. Lincoln and Her Pension.
Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The Pension Office has learned that claim agents in various sections are writing to their clients, wherever rates heretofore agreed upon fall below the schedule of fees lately published, assuring them that it is necessary to immediately forward a new agreement at advanced rates. Claimants should know that nothing of the kind is needed, and further, that the Commissioner revises all fees under the new law, and cuts down such as he deems unfair. The office has a list of over fifty firms which it has detected in making excessive charges, and in most cases the money has been refunded. Those who refuse to repay are to be prosecuted. A number of arrests are soon to be made, where the agents have retained checks for bounty to the extent of the fees.

SUICIDE OF ANOTHER FRENCHMAN.

The Private Secretary of the Counselor of the French Legation committed suicide yesterday afternoon by shooting himself with a pistol just below the heart. He lived about four hours after doing the deed. He left letters saying that he was sick in body and mind, and wanted the rest and peace he hoped to find in the grave. He was a Count, and belonged to one of the first families of France, but had lived in this country several years under an assumed name, and his secret was known to but a few intimate friends. He served with credit in our army during the war, and had a very complimentary letter from Gen. GRANT for services in the Vicksburg campaign. For the last year he has held a clerkship in the Interior Department. He was a person of culture and good habits. Two or three years ago he married a lady in Brooklyn, who represented herself as a widow, saying that her husband had been killed in the war. Some months afterward he made his appearance, coming from Havana. The three had a talk and an amicable understanding; the woman returned to her first husband, and the French gentlemen came to Washington and ultimately married here again without getting a divorce from the first woman. Her husband recently died in New-York, and she was then anxious to regain the Frenchman, and has been in this city of late. It is presumed by his friends that the complications arising out of this matter led him to commit suicide. He was a modest and unassuming gentleman, and was held in esteem by those who knew him. He did not leave much property, but had an insurance of \$5,000 on his life, taken out a month or six weeks ago.

REPORTS FROM CUBA.

The Spanish Minister was over here a day or two ago. Dispatches, which he received the middle of last week from Havana, reported things as going on well in Cuba. Arrangements are making to elect Deputies during the Fall for seats in the Spanish Cortes, and it is presumed they will be received as those from Porto Rico were received last Spring. The term of service of a considerable proportion of the troops on the island is about to expire, and this is why more are to be sent over from Spain. There is no intention at present of increasing the force, DE RODAS saying that it is not necessary.