

## Our Cuban Correspondence.

We publish on another page of the HERALD this morning an interesting communication from our Havana correspondent. The Spaniards claim that they have seized the second cargo of the steamer George B. Upton. The Captain General telegraphs to Havana the facts. A number of communications between the Cuban authorities have also fallen into the hands of the government. Aside from the reported capture of the Upton's cargo, which may or may not be true, we find that the work of devastation is going on in the interior, and that the Cubans are laying waste any and all the estates which can in any degree give shelter or protection to the Spanish troops. The torch is daily and nightly employed, and the red light of burning mansions and the desolate appearance of vast and what were once rich and luxuriant plantations exhibit but too plainly the dreadful barbarity with which the war in Cuba is carried on. Within the last couple of weeks no fewer than thirty-four estates were destroyed by the insurgents. Rich and promising crops have thus been totally ruined, and still the work goes on. Against such a mode of warfare as this what can the Spaniards do? They see the very wealth which attracts them to the island destroyed before their eyes without the power to stay the progress of destruction. There are no encounters between the contending forces of any note. The rainy season has put a stop to operations in the Eastern Department. The fiery Count Valmaseda is at Bayamo, possibly resting on prospective laurels and counting his chances for the Captain Generalship. The news, apart from the burning of estates, which of late has increased fearfully, is not particularly important, though containing many interesting features.