

CUBA.

CONDITION OF TRINIDAD—NUMEROUS FIGHTS—
THE MOUNTAINS ARE SCoured—THE EAST-
ERN DEPARTMENT FULL OF INSURRECTION.

El Imparcial, a Spanish journal of Trinidad, in its issue of the 7th, says that matters in that city are in a deplorable state. Some persons argue that the forces which are now guarding the sugar estates in the valley of Trinidad should be reduced in number, because of the great cost for keeping the same, which falls upon the sugar proprietors. There is a scarcity of money throughout all that part of the country, and provisions are scarce.

Col. Campillo attacked recently the insurgent camp at Hondo. The fight continued for an hour. The Cubans were well intrenched behind some 600 bats and trenches. Their force was some 400, nearly all of whom were negroes. It is claimed that their losses were eight killed. The Spaniards say their own loss was not so large.

From Santiago de Cuba we learn that an additional honor had been conferred upon Valmaseda. He has been elected a member of the Economic Society of that city. The popularity of this chieftain is still very great among the Spaniards.

That the rebellion is far from being at an end is proved by the accounts which the Spaniards themselves publish in the Havana papers. These journals announce that the telegraph lines between Bayamo and Cuba (which had been recently cut by the rebels) had been re-established. The following report of recent combats is given:

While a squad of soldiers were guarding a convoy, en route from Bayamo to Manzanillo, on the 2d ult., the party were attacked by a body of insurgents in ambush. Several men were killed on either side. After the fight, the Cubans were pursued by Col. Heredia, who claims to have killed five others.

A small body of Spanish troops met a force of insurgents in Las Cañitas, when a fight took place. The loss of the Spaniards is not given; that of the Cubans is put at eight killed.

A portion of the column of Matanzas, aided by volunteers, passed over the country lying between the Cauto River and Salado on the 2d and 3d ult. Twelve rebels are reported as having been killed and two wounded in different encounters. Spanish loss not given.

The battalion of Balboa manœuvred for some time to bring on a fight with the rebels near Jiguani. The Cubans kept moving from one point to another so rapidly that it was exceedingly difficult to engage them. A fight took place, however, a few days ago near Jiguani, when six insurgents were killed, but as usual, no Spanish loss is reported.

The forces at Santiago de Cuba, and the battalions La Maria and Habana, passed over the mountains of Margarita Cabate, Arroyo Blanco, Loma del Mote, and Ramara short time since. They killed and captured a number of rebels, but principally confined their operations to the destruction of peasants' huts and the seizure of horses and cattle.

The column of Mayari, which left on the 26th to operate with other parties under the command of Major Meier, was composed of a company from the battalion of Beus and 107 Volunteers. This body of troops surprised in Las Pilotas the party of Baldoquina. In this action, it is claimed that the whole company was killed. After that, a junction was formed with the columns of Leon and Cuba, commanded by Col. Diaz, when the mountains of Majaquago were traversed, but few or no insurgents were seen.

The forces of Major José Garcia Gallo and Captain-of-Artillery Arango arrived on the 3d inst. at the same time in the mountains of Ciego, where they met the Cubans in force. The latter were some 300 strong, and strongly intrenched. A very fierce battle raged for an hour or more, at the end of which 24 dead bodies (of insurgents) were found. The Spaniards estimate their loss at a smaller figure.

APOLOGY FOR DE RODAS.

In the leader of the *Voz de Cuba* of the 9th inst. the following paragraphs are to be found:

The *Laberintos* (another name for conspirators) who reside in Spain are endeavoring to make it impossible for Gen. Caballero de Rodas to continue in command, by inducing the Madrid Government to force on him the carrying into effect of certain measures which in practice would be either impossible or destructive. He will, of course, find it necessary to refuse compliance to the command, both from a sense of his dignity and from his clear

perception of the blasting evils which such measures would bring forth; he would also be deterred from them by his devotion to the public welfare and to the salvation of this province.

We hinted some time ago that the antecedents of Gen. De Rodas, which have fully established his patriotism and energy, do not allow us to entertain the supposition that he would write the order to execute (*cumplase*) decrees so disastrous as the restoration of the direct tax, the returning embargoed property, the suppression of the vigilance committees, and many others which could only have been advised to the present Government by our more violent enemies.

Should these reasons prove to be the origin of rumors spread of the resignation of the command by our worthy General, who is unable to reconcile his duty as a Spaniard with what he owes his superiors, it would be the duty of every one to appreciate the noble action of one who does not abandon us in the time of danger, alleging some frivolous motive.

THE NEW DOMINION.

FRESHET ON THE THAMES—SERIOUS RAILROAD ACCIDENT. ...

WOODSTOCK, Aug. 24.—A very heavy thunder and rain storm occurred last night, which caused the river Thames to overflow and do considerable damage. Near Beakerville a culvert was broken and part of the Great Western Railway track was carried away. The cars of the Steamboat Express train going West were thrown off the track and considerable damage done to the cars, but no lives were lost and but a few of the passengers were injured.

MISCELLANEOUS CABLE DISPATCHES

....Ruzzola has been chosen President of Paraguay.

....M. D. Lesseps has received the Order of the Star of India.

....Several lives were lost at a fire in Rotherhithe, England, on Tuesday.

....A Board of Engineers has been appointed to inspect and repair martello towers on the British coast.

....On the return of a Deputy from exile to Madrid, on Tuesday, he was met and welcomed by 5,000 Republicans, who accompanied him to his residence.