

NEW SPANISH RECRUIT.

Suspected Cubans of Wealth and Position Sent in Chains to Africa.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Cuba, August 10, via TAMPA, Fla., August 25, 1895.—A distinguished member of the Spanish Secret Service, Colonel Oliver, former Chief of the Madrid police force, has arrived in Cuba to assume an important post, under Captain General Campos, at Havana, in connection with the local "guardia civil."

A despatch from Puerto Principe announces the sudden death, from sunstroke, near Ciego de Avila, of Bernardo Fernandez Suarez, commander of the Spanish cavalry of Ralavera.

A majority of the troops are suffering from heat and yellow fever is also spreading in the ranks.

A strike is again threatened in the Santiago civil jail and the prison employes, for eight months, have been unpaid.

Political suspect Jose Purtuondo, previous to the other Cuban prisoners, has been sent to Havana to receive sentence and be transferred thence to Ceuta, Africa. Antonio Requera, Arturo Primelles, Gustavo Yabalda, distinguished Cubans of Matanzas, recently arrested on the charge of conspiracy, sailed, in chains, for Ceuta last week. Requera is a lawyer of great prominence and a sugar planter of much wealth.

I understand his property will be confiscated by the Spanish government. When arrested, the party was about to leave for Camaguey, as believed, with the intention of joining Maximo Gomez and the rebel army.

Santa Clara advices announce that the guardia civil garrison at Bernia was captured and burned by the rebel forces under Antonio Peralta.

Manzanillo reports the repulse of the insurgent force led by Juan Maso Parra, which attacked the government garrison at Yara. No details have been received.

The rebel guerrilla Juan Reyes was surprised by the government troops on the border of Camaguey and Las Villas and totally defeated.

Telegraph communication between Cienfuegos and Sancti Spiritus is interrupted.