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CUBAN FILIBUSTERS.

Despatches from Savannah lead the friends of the Cuban revolution here to believe that General J. B. Steedman has made a successful landing in Cuba with a picked force of men. The expedition has been in preparation for a number of months; General Steedman himself spent two weeks in Havana, and during the latter part of the time was so far under arrest as to be ordered quietly by the Captain-General to report to him daily. The first rendezvous of his party was on one of the islands near New Orleans. When Admiral Hoff received his first orders the headquarters of the expedition were changed to a point on the Florida coast. A blockade-runner, captured from the rebels in the late war, was obtained, and the belief is that near one thousand men, well supplied with arms and thoroughly accustomed to their use, have made a landing on the Cuban shore. The revolutionary leaders have been fully acquainted with General Steedman's movements for some time. Information has been received here to the effect that bodies of men are nightly drilling in New York, whose ultimate destination is Cuba, though they will probably not leave direct from that city. It may be stated in this connection that the Navy Department has just added five vessels to the South Atlantic squadron, so that it now consists of eleven vessels, with an aggregate of one hundred and eight guns.