

CUBA.

THE REVOLUTIONISTS ENCOURAGED.

WASHINGTON, August 18.—Letters from Cuba to the 9th give encouraging accounts of the hopes and situation of the revolutionary forces. The recent conscription ordered by De Rodas at command of the Volunteer Ayuntamiento at Havana, it is said, has the effect of largely increasing their forces. The order gives great satisfaction to the Cuban leaders, who report themselves prepared for active field operations. The feeling of discontent and insubordination among the slaves is reported to be increasing, and they are now beyond control. They demand their freedom, and exact from the Spanish Government their liberty as declared by Cespedes. The Government has denied this, and they are organizing and arming themselves for the purpose of joining the Cuban army.

Several contests have taken place between negroes and Spanish troops. The negroes successfully defended themselves even against superior force. Gen. Quesada has had several skirmishes with portions of the forces of Lesca, and reports that his forces have been successful, and have taken a number of prisoners, who are held as prisoners of war, and that desertions and voluntary enlistments from the enemy have greatly increased his force. In a week or ten days he expects to take possession of Nuevitas and have control of the fortified town on the coast.

General Jordan's army is gradually re-enforcing by Cubans conscripted, whose sympathies are with their countrymen. The Spanish forces in his district are inactive, and he is confident that everything is working right for Cuban independence, and in a short time his recruits will be organized and made effective, and that the few positions held by Valmaseda in his department will fall into his hands. Both the General Commanding and the President of the Republic of Cuba express the most positive belief that the revolution will be successful, if not by force of arms by force of circumstances.

THE OTHER SIDE.

HAVANA, August 18.—Captain Marco recently attacked near Jaguy Grande a force of rebels, 300 strong, who came from the jurisdiction of Cienfuegos. After a short fight the rebels were dispersed with a loss of ten killed. A detachment of troops accompanying a train of provisions along the south coast to Ciego Avilla, was attacked on the road by insurgents and compelled to fall back, suffering some loss, but saving the train. Re-enforcements arriving, the troops again advanced, attacked the insurgents, and succeeded in reaching Ciego with their convoy.