

CUBA.

Continued Emigration of Cubans—Great Destitution in the Country—Engagements Between Spanish Troops and the Insurgents.

HAVANA February 27—The emigration of Cubans continues undiminished. Every steamer which departs is crowded with passengers.

Additional supplies and troops are needed to occupy the whole island and drive out the insurgents. The troops now here can do no more than hold their own. Meantime the people in the country are suffering all kinds of privation and distress, and their complaints are heartrending. Thousands are leaving their homes and seeking refuge in cities.

It is reported that the insurgents besieging Santiago de Cuba have again cut the aqueduct, causing great inconvenience to the citizens of that place.

Official information has been received that General Lesca, strongly reinforced, is pushing his way into the interior from La Guasaja.

The insurgents were stationed in force on the road near Magarabomba, where it was expected the troops would soon attack them.

General Puelló has arrived at Cienfuegos with reinforcements. The force will be divided into detachments—one, under Puelló, will go to Sancti and Puntó, another, under Latona, to Villa Clara; and the third, under Páez, will march to Sierra Morena and Macagua.

An engagement took place between the troops and insurgents at Colonia de St. Domingo, in the province of Sagua la Grande, in which many were killed on both sides. The result is not known.

Reports from Cuban sources say that the rebels under Quesada attacked the army of General Lesca on the road from La Guasaja and routed them.

HAVANA February 28—Rumors are afloat that expeditions from the American shore have landed at Remedios and Guadralla.

Some Cubans declare the belief that as soon as General Grant is inaugurated he will recognize the belligerent rights of the insurgents.

Cuban accounts contradict Government advisers of the triumphant march from La Guasaja.

Mr. Hall, the United States Consul, will assume the functions of Consul General at Havana.

NEW YORK, February 28—A special to the New York Herald, dated yesterday at Havana, says the night patrols of the city have been discontinued. More troops are going to the interior.

Intelligence from Xuevitas to Thursday states that on Sunday night, the 21st, the doors of all the residences of that city occupied by Cubans were marked with a black cross and a placard, with the words, "The time for clemency is ended," signed "Vengeance." Great excitement was caused, and the strenuous efforts of a few prominent Cubans alone prevented an outbreak.

A forage party from the besieged city of Puerto Principe, a few days since, burned the Sordivas estate. On their return they were attacked and driven to Puerto Principe, with a loss of forty killed and a large number wounded.

Four thousand refugees from the country are reported to be at Gibara, where there was great dearth of provisions, and an epidemic was feared.

A Herald special, dated Havana, today, says the steamer which sailed for Cadix today took many Spaniards as passengers, and some as state prisoners.

Several insurgents in the interior who give themselves up in the hope of clemency are reported to have been taken out of prison by the military at Santiago and shot.