

CUBA.

**Mail Detained at Santiago—Inhuman Arrests—
Hunt After a Missing Spanish Expedition—
Desertions to the Insurgents—Cholera.**

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Intelligence from Santiago de Cuba to the 30th ult. reports that the authorities there have seized the American mail which was to leave for the United States via Havana.

Prominent citizens who had been released from confinement have been again arrested by order of Count Valmaseda and sent to Manzanillo despite the fact that some of them are dangerously sick. These are compelled to travel by land to Bayamo, where military courts are the only tribunals.

Three hundred soldiers, under Colonel Quiros, all that remain of the Eneo regiment, had arrived at Santiago de Cuba. They form part of an expedition which is to be sent in search of Colonel Torrero and 250 Spanish soldiers, who have not been heard from for some time, and fears are entertained for their safety.

Sixteen volunteers of the mobilized force stationed on the Victoria farm deserted and went over to the insurgents.

The negroes on the various estates are suffering from want of food and are becoming troublesome.

Cholera has broken out among the Spanish detachments stationed on the plantations.

Landing of a Filibuster Party from Florida.
WASHINGTON, August 6, 1899.

Information has been received here that a Cuban expedition, composed of about 250 men, which left a point on the coast of Florida on the 4th inst., had arrived in Cuba. It is stated that a courier who accompanied the expedition returned to Florida and communicated by telegraph this morning with a party in this city.