

THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.

THE BATTLE AT ALTAGRACIA.

HAVANA, May 12.—Accounts from Spanish sources represent that after the fight at Altagracia, Gen. Lesca reached Puerto Principe with his convoy, the insurgents being unable to detain him, and that the Cubans lost 1,000 killed and wounded. The *Diario* says 2,000, but the *Fox de Cuba* doubts the correctness of the *Diario's* information.

Letona, who made the official report of the affair at Altagracia, gives few details. He says since the fight the Rebels cannot get together 2,000 men. The taxes for the coming fiscal year are to be reduced 50 per cent. The *Gaceta* publishes accounts of further confiscations.

MILITARY MOVEMENTS—DEATH OF ESCALANTE—CAPT.-GEN. DULCE PREPARING TO LEAVE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

HAVANA, May 8.—The movement previously reported as expected at Vuelta Abajo has since taken place at Alquizar, under Garcia Prieto, a celebrated highwayman who left the place at the head of some 70 determined men on a recruiting incursion in the neighboring estates, and then made for the shores of Guanamar, where it is rumored an expedition was about to land and join him. There was considerable excitement with volunteers at Alquizar when the movement took place, but not much disposition has been shown by them to pursue him in the country. He is a thorough master of the grounds, and is likely to give much trouble to the authorities in that quarter.

In the Central District nothing but skirmishes between the Government troops and the patriots.

All that has lately been published by the press upon further advantages obtained by Balmaceda in the Eastern District, is with the object of rousing the decaying hopes of Spanish capitalists on the power of the Government to subjugate the Patriots. The Catalonian volunteers and mobilized negroes under Lleras and Amable Escalante have been badly whipped by the Patriots in that district, as is confirmed via Matanzas, and the majority of the latter have joined the patriots during the affray. Amable Escalante, reported wounded by the press, has been killed, and his body secretly brought and buried here. The rains have opened both in that and the Central District, and the patriots are soon expected to take advantage of the same to commence active operations. The estates "Santa Isabel," "Lagunas," "Abundancia," and "Isabelita," at Juticaca and Curamada, are reported burnt by the insurgents in the *Diario de Cuba*. Gen. Dulce has had another meeting last night with the principal planters and merchants, the object of which has not yet transpired. He is very much disgusted at the appearance of affairs generally and is packing up to leave on the 30th. Gen. Fernando de Escobar who is expected from Spain will assume the command of the Island.

H. B. M. Steamer *Elipso* arrived the 6th inst., with Admiral Filmore on board. He is said to have come to demand the surrender of the *Mary Louel*, and settle other depredations committed by the Spanish fleet in British waters. It was reported yesterday Gen. Dulce had received a telegram from Madrid ordering the delivery of the vessel and cargo, and that the cargo was being re-embarked at the Navy Yard.

The United States Steamer *Naragansett* and *Oriental* from Key West got in yesterday morning, whilst the *Conestock* was steaming out.

Much excitement again prevails with volunteers owing to the news received from Madrid in regard to the prisoners on the *Francisco de Borgia* who are ordered to be landed at the Canary Island instead of Fernando Po.

CUBAN EXPEDITION FROM FLORIDA.

There is a strong probability that the expedition which has for some time past been fitting out in South Florida has sailed for its destination. By reference to our telegraphic news of yesterday morning the key is furnished to much which has been so tenaciously withheld from the public upon the subject. At last we believe that the filibusters are off from this section of our coast. Others will undoubtedly follow in their wake as soon as the necessary preparations can be made to enable them to go fully prepared.

The agents of the Junta in the South exercise great vigilance, although it is highly questionable whether the Government is not fully informed by this time of their doings in this city. They have no difficulty whatever in obtaining men, who are plentiful enough, but they desire none but those who can handle a musket or served in the late war. They have no use for raw recruits, because they will need drilling. Men who can pitch into a fight, veterans especially, who can stand fire, are taken at once. Quietly material is bought up and stored, ready for shipment by railroad, steamship, or sailing vessel, to designated points. To ascertain how this is done would require crates of vegetables, &c. to be overhauled, involving much expediture of labor.

In this city, the feeling in favor of the Cubans in their struggle is deep seated and sincere, and extends from the driver of a dray to the merchant in his counting-room. We shall look soon for the New Orleans boys to show their hand, and unless their undertaking miscarries, they will be the most formidable organized body which has yet started. Those who suppose that there is no fire in this smoke which is so slowly curling up at different points on the horizon, will be sadly mistaken are they.
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