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##### CUBA.

**Despatches from Admiral Hoff—Movements of the Opposing Forces—Policy of the Insurgents—American Citizens Under Arrest—Affairs at Calbarien.**

WASHINGTON, May 8, 1863.

Despatches were received this morning at the Navy Department from Admiral Hoff, dated off Havana, April 30 and May 1.

Since his last despatch of the 27th ult. no further news of great importance from the interior has been received. On the 17th of April 1,500 troops, commanded by Generals Letona and Escalante, arrived at Nuevitas from Villa Clara, and the day after General Lesca appeared at Nuevitas very unexpectedly, with 1,200 men, from Puerto Principe, having started with 2,200 and left a detachment on the road. They reported no resistance on the march, although large bodies of insurgents were posted on the high ground, some distance from the road. Numbers of well constructed trenches, breastworks, ditches, &c., were visible. The four thousand men concentrated at Nuevitas, among them 1,500 Catalan volunteers, recently from Spain, were to commence operations on the railroad between Nuevitas and Principe immediately. About 1,500 started on the 23d, conveying provision trains. This expedition, under General Lesca, is to repair the road temporarily, get cars along, and provision the troops at Principe, who are said to be on half rations.

It was reported that Quesada, the revolutionary leader, purposely allowed the Spaniards to march without opposition from the interior to the sea coast, but intended to obstruct their return, and, if possible, capture their provision trains.

Dr. Simmons is still confined at Principe, accused of circulating insurrectionary proclamations and giving aid and comfort to the rebels. General Lesca has stated that the doctor's life was spared because he was an American.

Rear Admiral Hoff has had an interview with the Captain General relative to a young engineer, named Rafael Estrada, who, although having declared his intention of becoming an American citizen, had never, it seems, taken out his final papers, although having married and lived some years in the United States. The Captain General issued an order for his immediate release.

Rear Admiral Hoff forwards reports from Lieutenant Commander T. H. Eastman, commanding the Penobscot, dated the 28th of April, at Cay Francia, the anchorage for the ports of Remedios and Calbarien.

The prisoners taken from the Lizzie Major and sent to Calbarien had been released. The Spanish authorities at that place had offered no courtesies or facilities to the Penobscot, as is customary on the arrival of a foreign vessel; perhaps more from ignorance than design. The United States Consul at Calbarien had been informed by the Governor at Remedios that he must not hoist the flag of the Consular office again, in consideration of the condition of affairs in that country, where American citizens are holding over 2,000,000 of property and in fear of injury from the volunteer forces. Lieutenant Commander Eastman has concluded to remain there for some days.

A Cuban named S. B. Valles, who claims to be an American citizen, was undergoing trial on charges preferred by the volunteer forces, and, it was expected, would soon be sent to Havana for sentence. The accused had no evidence with him of being an American citizen, but had written to the United States for it.

Rear Admiral Hoff had requested the Captain General to allow the American flag to be hoisted over the Consulate at Calbarien.

#### What the Cubans at the Capital Say.

WASHINGTON, May 8, 1863.

The authenticity of the despatches recently received here from Cuba is denied by the Cubans in this city. They state that so far from the revolution exhibiting signs of waning fortunes it was never stronger and the patriots never more determined to achieve their independence than at the present time. They assert that advices have been received by them from the island, which report the area of the rebellion as rapidly extending to the Western Department. The preparations of the patriot leaders and the organization of the Cubans being nearly completed, it will not be long before an effective blow will be struck.