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**News from Cuban Sources—Spanish Communication Cut Off Between Nuevitas and Principe—Insurgents in Possession of the Country Between—Important Engagements Near Remedios and Sagua la Grande—Successful Landing of Arms and Filibusters.**

WASHINGTON, July 23, 1869.\*

Letters from Cuba received here contain intelligence to the 20th inst. General Quesada had destroyed two important bridges on the railroad from Nuevitas to Puerto Principe, cutting off communication between those cities. All the intervening country is held by the Cuban forces.

The Spanish troops are now confined in those cities, and are suffering severely from disease and want of supplies. Several sorties had been made from Nuevitas, and in each instance the troops were driven back with severe loss. General Quesada has a large number of Spanish prisoners, which he is holding as hostages for the proper treatment of Cubans who may fall into the hands of the Spanish commanders. Among them are a number of prominent government officials.

The letters state that the Cuban forces have possession of the country from Nuevitas to Puerto Principe, with several points on the coast, which gives them direct communication with the United States.

It is reported that there have been two important engagements, one near Remedios and the other at Sagua la Grande, in both of which the Spanish troops attacked the Cubans in force. At Remedios, the Spaniards were driven off, with a loss of 150 in killed, wounded and prisoners. At Sagua la Grande the fight lasted seven hours, the Spanish forces numbering over 1,500, while that of the Cubans was less than 1,000 effective men. The Spaniards were finally compelled to retreat, with a loss of over 300, while that of the Cubans was less than 120. The result of these battles has inspired the Cubans with renewed courage, and they have no doubt of their ability to maintain themselves against the forces now in the field against them.

A large supply of arms and ammunition, including a battery of artillery, with 350 men from the United States, successfully landed near Nuevitas, and are now a part of General Quesada's forces. The sickness is reported to be abating, and Generals Quesada and Jordan expect soon to assume the offensive with a force more than equal that of their opponents.

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**Havana Financial and Commercial Markets.**

HAVANA, July 28, 1869.

Sugars are slow of sale, but prices are unaltered. Exchange on London, 15¼ a 16 per cent premium; on Paris, 2 a 2¼ per cent premium.

The steamer Missouri arrived here this morning.