

Cuba.

Señor José Manuel Macías has been commissioned as an agent of the Cuban government to treat with the Spanish authorities in reference to the parent country's acknowledging the independence of Cuba. Señor Macías left this city for Europe last Saturday, and expects to meet General Prim at some point in France and to at once enter into negotiations concerning the objects of his mission, in accordance with promises made by General Prim to Cubans some fourteen months since. The Cubans furnished the Spanish revolutionary Junta \$1,500,000 in gold to aid in overthrowing Isabella, in return for which Cuba was to be made independent. It is reported that a privateer left a Northern port of the United States a few nights since destined for the service of the Cubans.

General Valmaseda is said to have defeated General Jordan and captured a convoy which he was moving near Holguin. The Cubans showed little pluck and fled after a short fight. A number of persons have been arrested at Santi Espiritu charged with engaging in a plot to poison the bread used by the inhabitants on a given day.