

FOREIGN NEWS.

CUBA.

POLITICAL PRISONERS TO BE TRANSPORTED TO FERNANDO PO—DEPARTURE OF PROF. AGASSIZ—CONCENTRATION OF CUBANS AT MAYARI, NEAR CIENFUEGOS AND PALMILOS—ENGAGEMENT NEAR SANTO ESPIRITU—THE SAGUA DISTRICT WHOLLY IN POSSESSION OF THE CUBANS.

HAVANA, March 4.—The Treasury Department advertises for proposals from ship-owners to furnish transportation for 515 political prisoners, who are to be taken to the penal station at Fernando Po. There is a profound feeling of sorrow among the friends and relatives of the prisoners, many of whom belong to the first families of the island; but the measure is excusable when it is considered their transportation will save them from dangers like those by which they were threatened on Sunday last, when the volunteers demanded their deaths. Gen. Dulce has ordered their removal, in consequence of the intense pressure which is brought to bear upon him by the ultra Spaniards. It is confidently expected, however, that the Home Government will authorize the release of the majority of them soon after their arrival at Fernando Po. The United States survey steamer Bibb, with Prof. Agassiz on board, sailed to-day for Key West. The *Diario* has the following news from the interior: In the Eastern Department the insurgents in considerable numbers were concentrated at the town of Mayari. Troops have marched from Santiago de Cuba to disperse them. In the Central Department an engagement took place between the Government forces and the insurgents near Santo Espiritu. Nineteen of the rebels were taken prisoners, 13 killed and many wounded. The Government loss is not given. Large numbers of insurgents are reported in the vicinity of Cienfuegos and Palmillos. The roads are blockaded by them, and no sugar is coming in at Cienfuegos. All loyal citizens in the Sagua district have been compelled to abandon their houses in consequence of the depredations of the insurgents.

RAPID INCREASE OF THE INSURGENTS IN THE REGION OF REMEDIOS.

VIA LAKE CITY, Fla., March 5.—Late advices from Remedios state that the number of insurgents in that region is rapidly increasing. From Cienfuegos and vicinity the news is more favorable to the Government. At Santiago de Cuba the cholera was abating. There were several bands of insurgents operating in that district.

The prospects are gloomy for the future. The weather is unfavorable for sugar-grinding.

ARRIVAL OF CUBAN REFUGEES IN BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, March 5.—About 100 first-cabin passengers—refugees from Cuba—arrived at this city yesterday on the steamer Cuba.