

THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.

THE NEW CAPTAIN-GENERAL IN HARMONY WITH THE VOLUNTEERS.

HAVANA, Tuesday, June 29, 1898.

Don Espinar, late Acting Captain-General, gave a dinner yesterday in honor of Gen. De Rodas. The latter made a speech. He declared that he came to the island counting on the aid of 50,000 volunteers in the suppression of the rebellion. Complete harmony exists between the new Captain-General and the volunteers. The Spanish Admiral has returned from a cruise.

THE CINCO VILLAS—SUPPOSED EXECUTION OF SPANARDS WHOLESALE.

Gen. Leece is actively pursuing the bands of insurgents in the Cinco Villas district, and has frequent encounters with them. The *Diario* says he places the volunteer cavalry, composed of native Cubans, in the front rank as the defenders of the integrity of the island. It is supposed that the insurgents executed the entire company of Spanish soldiers captured at Salas Nuevas. The charred corpse of a Spanish officer was found in the ruins of one of the houses.

THE CUBAN EXPEDITION.

UP THE EAST RIVER—IN THE SOUND—WHERE IS THE QUAKER CITY?

On Friday evening Col. Ryan and Byron with the subordinate officers of their command met in Eighth-st., when each officer received his instructions. All were ordered to have their men at the rendezvous at the corner of Second-ave. and Sixty-second-st. at 7 p. m., thence to march to the East River, foot of Sixty-second-st., there to embark on board the *H. D. Cool*. At the appointed hour, sharp time, everything was in readiness, and in a few minutes the various detachments, numbering 113 men, with 60 Cuban patriots, were on deck and the steamer on her way. At the foot of Sixty-sixth-st. 35 men jumped aboard. They had been waiting patiently in the gloom of the dark trees that shade the river side at Jones's Wood, and hailed the landing of the steamer with a subdued yell that manifested their satisfaction at being relieved from suspense. At this point the *W. H. Webb* came in sight, and at a signal steamed up to the *Cool* and took on board Col. Ryan, now thoroughly disguised. In company then the *Webb* and the *Cool* tugged against the tide up past the guarded banks of Blackwell's Island, the dark stone piles on Ward's and Randall's looming up like giant castles in the now deepening fog. On reaching Hart's Island the pilots refused to risk the safety of the vessels any further, and they lay by for the night. At 7 o'clock on Sunday morning the *Cool* started for Gardner's Island in Long Island Sound, there to meet the *J. R. Whiting*, the vessel selected and prepared to carry the troops to Cuba. On Sunday evening the *Cool* was hailed by the *Chase* with 113 men aboard, under command of Col. Courner. On coming alongside the officers on board the *Chase* proposed a consultation, which was immediately held. The steamer *Whiting* not appearing, the *Cool* was again got under way and steamed about the Sound for several hours. At 10 o'clock on Monday morning, provisions and water having given out, and the *Whiting* not yet in sight, the two steamers put into New-London, Conn., for supplies. Here a number of the recruits deserted, and returned to the city by passenger steamers and railroad. Some of the men had not eaten food or drunk water since Saturday night, and fearing a continuance of "the famine in the midst of plenty" and preferring full stomachs to empty honors, they hurried to hostelry and made the innkeeper glad with the fried luxuries for which New-London is famous. Two of them, on reaching New-York, asserted that, while passing Gardner's Island yesterday morning, they saw in the early twilight two small vessels, which they supposed to be the *Cool* and the *Chase*, lying alongside a large steamer, presumed to be the *Quaker City*. There were evident signs of commotion and bustle on board, and our informants have no doubt that the smaller craft were transferring their cargoes of men and supplies to the deck of the target. From another disguised patriot we learn that the men on the steamers above named were under command of Col. Byron and O'Leary, Adj't Courtney, Capt. F. F. O'Neill of the 4th Regiment, L. R. A., Capt. Murtagh of the old 69th, Capt. Cairns, Leece, and Lindsay. Col. Byron and O'Leary, and Adjutant Courtney, accompanied by two young Cubans, made extensive purchases of supplies at New-London, but all their efforts to keep the disaffected from deserting were unavailing, and the most hungry and least patriotic left New-London and the expedition at the first opportunity. The men enlisted in the expedition are to receive \$20 per month—each month's pay in advance—with a bounty of \$500 in Cuban bonds, payable on the declaration of the independence of the island. Nearly all the enlisted men are mechanics of intelligence. Two of them were until a few days ago favorite clerks in Stewart's Tenth-st. store. They both resigned lucrative positions to live or die with the cause of Cuba.