

# CUBA LIBRE.

## ABSENT GENERALS AND OFFICERS OF THE PATRIOT ARMY RECALLED TO CUBA—WHAT THE NEW PRESIDENT OF CUBA LIBRE HAS TO SAY ON THE SUBJECT.

Yesterday evening Mr. Miguel de Aldama, agent of the Republic of Cuba in New York, transmitted the following communication to the Cuban paper, *La Voz de la Patria*, which will appear in its issue of this morning, bearing upon the return of army officers to Cuba before the 29th day of next July. The following is the substance of the communication:—

TO THE EDITOR OF LA VOZ DE LA PATRIA:—

I have to request that you will publish in your paper the decree of the Chambers of Representatives of the Republic of Cuba and sanctioned by the Executive of the same respecting absent army officers, so that the officials named can take cognizance of the same. Although the list which accompanies it comprises the name of General Juan D. Vilejas, the time allotted for him to return to Cuba must be a fair time after he is relieved of the functions allotted to him by this agency.

I have the honor to remain,

MIGUEL DE ALDAMA,

General Agent of the Republic of Cuba,

[General Vilejas is agent of the Cuban Republic at Kingston, Jamaica.]

Here follows the official order (No. 123), written by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cuba, ordering all officers of the Cuban army who have been sent abroad on missions or other government business to return to Cuba within the period of four months from the 29th of March, 1876. The order further states that all officers failing to obey this order shall lose their rank if not on Cuban soil at the date fixed.

### WHAT THE NEW PRESIDENT OF CUBA SAYS.

The following is a synopsis of the communication to Mr. Miguel de Aldama by President Tomas Estrada y Palma, whose election to office was exclusively told in these columns a week ago:—

To carry out the foregoing decree you will cause it to be published, if possible, in the principal papers of the United States and other countries, and you will remit to the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, at your early convenience, copies of the same. You will likewise send him a copy of each of the Cuban papers in which it is printed. At the same time you will prepare a list of the chiefs and officers of the liberating army who are engaged in foreign missions by order of the General Agency of the Republic of Cuba who can best be spared and who would make good substitutes, giving in all cases full and complete data, so that the said projected changes can be ratified or disapproved by this government. The fixing of the date of these particular officers' return to Cuba necessarily hinges upon the decision in this matter.

Herewith is a *pro forma* statement of the names of the absent chiefs and officers, sons of Cuba, whose names are inscribed on our army rolls.

Accompanying are also communications addressed to each and all, from the Secretary of War, which you will use your utmost endeavors to have speedily placed in their hands, omitting to deliver those, however, to officers who are in actual service, or who may be about succeeding them.

Owing to this matter the names of many military officers whose names were inscribed in the army roster in the first years of the war do not now appear, and for this reason the accompanying list sent you is incomplete. The present decree, let it be distinctly understood, applies to all chiefs and officials of the army, whether their names be given in the list or not.

Accept, Citizen Agent General, the expression of my highest consideration.

TOMAS ESTRADA Y PALMA, President.

### THE LIST.

The following is the list alluded to and signed by the Secretary of War and President Palma:—

*Generals*—Francisco N. Aguilera, Manuel Quesada Loynáz, Juan G. D. de Vilejas.

*Colonels*—Juan Luis Pacheco, Manuel Codina, Rafael Rubino, Fernando Lopez Queraltá, Rafael Quesada Loynáz.

*Lieutenant Colonels*—José Joaquín Palma, Ygnacio Moreno Azuilera, Mariano Acosta Narido, Manuel A. Aguilera, Miguel I. Aguilera, Pio Rosado.

*Majors*—Modesto Corryon and Melchor Aguerro.

*Captains*—Manuel Morey, Ramon Gutierrez, Cayetano Acosta Narido, Pablo Rebusillo, Francisco Buccarelli.