

CUBAN INSURGENTS LOSE.

MANY SMALL ENCOUNTERS WITH GOVERNMENT TROOPS.

SPANISH RESERVES OBJECT TO GOING INTO THE CUBAN SERVICE—THE CINCINNATI STARTS FOR KEY WEST.

Havana, Aug. 12.—Advices from Santiago de Cuba are to the effect that Major Gonzales, with 250 men, met on August 5 rebel bands under Ruen and Carreras at a ford on the River Duaba. The insurgents were defeated with a loss of four killed. On the following day the same Government column again met the same bands, which had reinforcements of 600 men. The rebels were attacked and dislodged from the positions they had taken between Duaba and Baracoa. The engagement lasted for three hours. The Government loss was one killed and one wounded. It is stated that the rebels lost seven killed and twelve wounded.

Sergeant Cabanas, while proceeding with sixteen men to Sebemequito, had an encounter with 100 rebels near Mayari. Two rebels were killed and several wounded. The Government loss was three wounded. The troops captured a quantity of arms and ammunition.

General Luque reports from Santa Clara that 200 rebels, under the command of Rego, were attacked by a Government force at Gavilanchito, in the Trinidad district. The insurgents intimated that they desired to surrender, the intimation later proving a ruse to draw the troops into an ambush. The plan was not successful. Five of the rebels were killed, including the second in command. Ten were wounded. The band is now retreating in the direction of Hoyo Padilla.

Madrid, Aug. 12.—The members of the reserve who have been called out for service in Cuba continue to mobilize. Many of the men at Gerona and Tafalla object to going to Cuba, and have protested against being sent on this service. Their protests, however, have not led to serious incidents. At Mataro, about fifteen miles northeast of Barcelona, the reserves refused to march, and the gendarmes fired a volley from their carbines into the air to enforce discipline.

Washington, Aug. 12.—A telegram to Acting Secretary McAdoo announced the departure to-day from Newport, R. I., of the cruiser Cincinnati for Key West to relieve the Atlanta from the duty of watching for Cuban filibusters.

GENERAL CAMPOS IN NEED OF TROOPS. HE ORDERS THE TRANSFER OF A NUMBER OF THE RESERVES TO THE REGULAR ARMY—HOPE OF THE INSURGENTS.

The Seneca, of the New-York and Cuba Mail Line, which arrived here yesterday from Mexican and Cuban ports, had several passengers aboard who had late news from the seat of war. One of these, who for obvious reasons, did not want his name mentioned, said that on the day before the Seneca sailed from Havana General Campos met the officers of the Spanish volunteer organizations and demanded the transfer of 100 men from each of these organizations to the regular army. This apparently signified that Campos was in need of reinforcements. Much dissatisfaction and indignation prevailed at the sudden demand of General Campos, but there was little doubt that the order would be enforced. In Havana little was known as to the existing condition of things at the seat of war. Much discontent prevailed, however, and it was the general opinion among those well informed that Captain-General Campos was in a somewhat harassed condition, while the rebels were active and aggressive. Many residents of the island," continued the passenger, "were in favor of annexation or the establishment of a protectorate by the United States Government. Many others were in favor of home rule for Cuba from the mother country. However, a large portion of the inhabitants looked for concessions from Spain in preference to independence. The possibility of a Cuban republic with negro domination is neither desirable nor anticipated."

An officer of the Seneca reports the recent arrest in Havana of the Editor of "La Discusion," a morning newspaper. A heavy fine was imposed on him for publishing news of the defeat of Spanish troops. Several reporters connected with the same publication were also arrested, but were subsequently discharged.

Rafael Cabrera, a wealthy sugar planter, was a passenger on the Seneca. He is staying at the Hotel Español, in Fourteenth-st., but said he knew little of the revolution, as all news was suppressed by the Spanish Government.

One of the passengers on the steamer told Señor Estrada Palma, the delegate of the Cuban Revolutionary Party in New-York, that the demand of General Campos for militiamen caused an outburst of indignation, and many have declared that they will run the risk of punishment for insubordination rather than serve. This controversy was going on when the steamer left Havana.

Señor Palma says that the citizens of Havana know little about the movements of the troops in the interior, and that this is due to the suppressed reports. General sympathy, he says, is felt for the insurgents in the capital, and the citizens of that town are contributing liberally to the cause. General Campos is badly frightened by the success that has attended the insurgents, says Señor Palma. Speaking of the operations in the field in Cuba Señor Palma added, confidently: "We have over thirty thousand armed men in the field. We have the advantage of being acclimated and knowing the country. The fatality among the regular troops on account of yellow fever and battle is great. No less than 15,000 men have died in Cuba in the last four months either from the ravages of fever or fallen in battle. Ninety per cent of this number were the regular troops. The Spanish officials carefully guard their death roll, but we are informed of their actual loss. We are keeping up the fight, still hoping for recognition from some Power, but if we do not get that we will win any way."

SOFIA'S CHIEF OF POLICE ARRESTED. SUSPECTED OF KNOWING TOO MUCH ABOUT THE MURDER OF STAMBULOFF.

London, Aug. 12.—"The Daily News" will print to-morrow a dispatch from Vienna saying that M. Urukoff, Chief of Police of Sofia, was taken into custody at the railway station to-day on suspicion of having been concerned in the murder of ex-Premier Stambuloff.

The dispatch also says that Prince Ferdinand's departure from Ebenthal last night was surrounded with mystery. None of his family accompanied him. Troops were stationed along the line of the railway from Zaribrod to Sofia.

Sofia, Aug. 12.—Tufektsheff, who was arrested on suspicion of having murdered ex-Prime Minister Stambuloff, has been liberated on bail. No others have been arrested in connection with the assassination.

Prince Ferdinand will arrive here to-day from Ebenthal. A large number of Russophiles are flocking to Sofia for the purpose of backing up the Government, and they are preparing to give Prince Ferdinand a brilliant reception.

A NORWEGIAN HOTEL BURNED.

London, Aug. 12.—The "Daily News" will print to-morrow a dispatch from Hardanger, Norway, saying that the Odde Hotel was burned at midday, on August 9, and that forty of the guests, many of whom were foreigners, were absent on excursions to points in the neighborhood, and lost all of their property. Several adjoining houses were also destroyed.

THE ARCHDUKE JOSEPH FAINTED.

Vienna, Aug. 12.—In the officers' steeplechase, run at Goding, Moravia, on August 11, Archduke Joseph fell at one of the hurdles and fainted. He was not seriously injured, however.

MEMORIAL ON BEHALF OF THE UNEMPLOYED.

London, Aug. 12.—The heads of five prominent religio-social settlements of the poor districts of London, including those of Toynbee Hall and Whitechapel, have presented to Lord Salisbury a memorial, asking the Premier to give effect to his utterances of May 22 last, at Bradford, where he contended that the problem presented by the condition of the unemployed in England was foremost among the questions which needed the attention of Parliament.

In his reply to the memorial Lord Salisbury promised to give the matter his careful consideration.

DAUGHTER OF SIR E. M. ARCHIBALD DEAD.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 12.—A cable dispatch has been received announcing the sudden death in England of Miss Archibald, eldest daughter of the late Sir Edward M. Archibald, for a quarter of a century British Consul at New-York. Mrs. Charles Archibald, of this city, is her sister, and returned home from visiting her only a week ago.