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Affairs in Tunisia.

Plundering of houses in Sfax.

Madrid, July 29, evening.

The *Epoca* and the *Comeo* publish letters from Tunis according to which French soldiers, shortly after the taking of Sfax, had plundered and ransacked various houses, among which the consulate of Spain.

Tunis, July 29, evening.

According to rumor, some French soldiers, after the taking of Sfax, plundered various houses of the European district and, amongst them, the consular houses.

One does not doubt that the French government has already ordered an investigation in this respect, and that a very rigorous punishment will be inflicted on the culprits, if the facts are confirmed. One even says that the goal of general Logerot, in going to Sfax, was to check itself whether these rumors could have foundation.

Tunis, July 28.

A new Tunisian camp has just been formed; it set up its tents this morning in front of Bardo with the noise of the cannon. This camp will leave soon for Kairouan and the interior of the country, under the command of Ali-Bey and Mohamed-Zarroum, former minister for the war, who will be the lieutenant of Ali-Bey.

Several Sfaxiens, leaders of the revolt of Sfax, are currently in Tunis.

A certain number of families native to Sfax took refuge in Kairouan and Sousse. The people refused to receive them in Monastir.

The marauders who plundered the surroundings of Soliman and Hamman-Hellif have moved away.

All in all, there was much more evil feared.

In the Sahel, peace is complete. The inhabitants of the cities which border Sousse are ready with their defense, if the rebels come to them.

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Le Temps receives the following information from Tunis, July 28:

It is affirmed that all the towns and villages of the area of Kerouan have had their herds returned. Their inhabitants absolutely refused to make common cause with the insurrectionists; they prepared to defend themselves and their vigorous attitude will probably preserve them from any attack.

Tunis, July 29, evening.

Ali-Ben-Alifa, chief of the Sfaxien insurgents, sent mails to several tribes of the Regency inviting them to join with him and to fight the Bey and the French. He also wrote pressing letters to the Ouled-Menna which have their douars (bases) near Teboursouk, also to the Khroumirs, Ouchtetas and the Mogodis. Its emissary were sent away from each place and his proposals repulsed.

There exists in our vicinity only isolated groups of raiders, of which a body of well organized police could easily deal with.

The re-establishment of order is necessary to produce a moral effect on the population.

As recently as yesterday, in the plain of Fahs, various carters were stopped, stripped and their horses stolen.