

A GENTLEMAN recently from Cuba, who has had ample opportunities to learn the state of affairs, communicates to the *New York Herald* the result of his observations. He represents that though the affairs of the insurgents are not all that could be wished, still they can prolong the contest indefinitely. They decidedly have the advantage in the climate, which has made fearful inroads upon the Spanish troops. Whole battalions have gone down by fever, and for the coming months the mortality will be fearful, if the troops pretend to keep the field. He says the atrocities of the Spaniards have not been overstated in the least; they have acted more like demons than men. The successes of the Spaniards he declares have been greatly exaggerated. At the present time the insurgents and their officers, the seat of government, in fact, is in the mountainous region in the central and eastern departments. The position is entirely tenable, and unmolested the insurgents may recuperate and arrange their plans for future operations when the rainy season shall have passed. The Cubans are filled with enthusiasm and all classes are joined in the idea of independence. The women, brought up in luxury and unaccustomed to labor, are in the mountain fastnesses, undergoing privations and hardships with husbands, fathers and brothers, and aiding the patriot cause as best they may. The gentleman is quite hopeful that in the end Cuba will be free.