

The Cuban Question Before the House.

As I predicted in my despatch yesterday the Cuban question came up to-day in the House of Representatives. General Banks walked up to the scratch at last, but hardly asked for enough, considering the accommodating temper in which the House happened to be at the time. He contented himself with simply requesting the House to appoint to-morrow week as a day upon which the subject of Cuba would be considered and though Logan in a stage whisper suggested, "Why not to-morrow, Banks?" and though the House would certainly quite as readily have granted the one day as the other, the chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee heeded not the hint, and stuck to his own original proposition. The request was granted by an overwhelming majority only Farnsworth and a few others making an opposition, Farnsworth muttering about not believing in letting "Cuba interfere with the business of this country." After Banks succeeded in carrying his object, he took occasion to refer to the premature publication of his report in the NEW YORK HERALD, saying that it was done without complicity on the part of any member of his committee and that he regretted the fact, in justice to both the majority and minority, because the report was imperfect and because that prepared by the minority should have been published at the same time. As to the latter reason your correspondent has no objection to make, but as to the former that the report as published was imperfect General Banks might have been a little more prudent and at the same time rather more just. The only imperfection in the report as published consists in the omission of four printed pages, with which the document opens, and some slight modifications which are to be made, rendered necessary by events which have occurred since the original printing of the document over three months ago. Such is the imperfection of which the very veracious Banks made such unnecessary complaint. Your correspondent should state, in further corroboration of this statement that the very day the report appeared in the HERALD General Banks admitted that he intended to make only some trifling alterations. It was hardly fair or worth his while, therefore, to appear in the House to-day in his unaccustomed character of complainant.