

DEMANDS ON THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT.

NEW YORK, April 17.—The Herald's Washington special despatch says that it is confidently declared that the President has directed a peremptory demand to be made upon the Spanish authorities in Cuba for the immediate release of the brig Mary Lowell and the surrender of the two passengers taken from the Lizzie Major. It is said that Secretary Fish has already telegraphed instructions to our representative in Cuba to make this demand without delay, and a refusal to comply promptly will be followed by hostile demonstrations from our naval squadron cruising in the vicinity.