

the same that England was so much blamed for, though the causes are not precisely parallel. The Cubans are absolutely without strength, without a civil or military organization, and without an established Government. If the Americans vindicate their action by the pleas that they cannot remain indifferent to the struggles of a friendly people for freedom and independence, then England, in 1861, acted in a manner the Americans now emphatically sanction. Looking at the controversy in its broadest view, we shall scarcely be displeased to see America take a step which the practical world would regard as a conspicuous exculpation of England from responsibility to America."

The Purchase of Cuba—The Interests of England and France to be Consulted.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—The *Daily News* has an article to-day on the Cuban question. It says:

The rumor is afloat that the proposed purchase of Cuba by the United States found a powerful friend in the Spanish Administration. It is difficult to perceive, if the rebellion is suppressed in Cuba, how a material change can be effected among a defiant and subjugated population. If the rumors have any foundation, these considerations may possibly incline this powerful leader to listen favorably to an offer from the United States. Though his advocacy may obtain great force with the other members of the Government and the people, the interests of England and France in the West Indies are scarcely inferior to those of the United States, and they will have their say before the settlement be regarded as final.

THE CUBAN QUESTION.

The Note of General Sickles to the Spanish Government—Opinions of the English Journals.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—The *Times* to-day has an article on the subject of Mr. SICKLES' note to the Spanish Government, in which it says: "It is hardly credible that America contemplates the recognition of Cuba. While Spain has little to lose except the island, owing to the confusing prospect of the war, and its damaging effects on her commerce and finance, she admits she must ultimately consent to abandon Cuba.

The *Telegraph* has an article on the same subject, saying:

"The American action with respect to Cuba is