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WASHINGTON, April 6, 1863.

The Sale of the Peruvian Monitors to Cubans Not Permitted by the United States—Belligerent Rights to be Extended to the Cubans.

The rumor that the two Peruvian iron-clads would probably be transferred to the Cuban provisional government is not credited in government circles here. There is good authority for the belief that this government would not countenance an act of the kind. The representatives of the Cuban revolution have been given to understand that this administration would not regard with favor any act likely to affect the commercial interests of any power friendly to the United States. In other words, this country will not be guilty of the duplicity that characterized the action of England during our civil war. At the same time, the representatives of the Cuban movement have been assured of the sympathy and to some extent the substantial aid of our government. There is reason to believe that at no distant day belligerent rights will be extended to the struggling Cubans, thus guaranteeing them all the facilities for procuring the munitions of war which the Spaniards now enjoy in the cities of this country.

Delegation of Cuban Ladies at the Capitol—Sensation Among the Fashionables at Mrs. Grant's Reception—The Case of Mr. Casanova.

Mrs. Emilia C. De Villaverde and Miss Manuela Yzquierdo, of the Cuban Ladies' Relief Association, were at the Capitol to-day in company with General Banks, who showed them around the House and Senate and introduced them to a good many distinguished members of Congress. Later in the day they called on General Sherman and General Rawlins, Secretary of War, in company with Mr. Leopold Yzquierdo. At two o'clock they visited Mrs. Grant, who was holding her first reception at the White House, which was largely attended. The Cuban ladies were conspicuous in the brilliant throng that filled the Blue and Red rooms. Miss Yzquierdo was dressed in cuir colored silk trimmed with white lace, and wore conspicuously on her breast, suspended by a piece of ribbon, a miniature model of the Cuban flag, consisting of red, white and blue bars, with a red triangular field, in the centre of which was a white star. Miss Yzquierdo made friends very fast among the ladies assembled in the East room. She is a young and beautiful Cuban, with a wonderful wealth of jet black tresses, "all her own," and eyes of very brilliant lustre. Mrs. Villaverde was dressed in blue silk, and wore the national colors of Cuba, as already described. Mrs. Grant was very cordial to her Cuban visitors. She requested Major W. W. Leland to take them around the mansion and conservatory and show them everything of interest in the place, which mission the Major very gallantly performed. On returning Mrs. Villaverde intimated to Mrs. Grant that she desired to see the President in reference to her father, Mr. Casanova, now imprisoned by the Spanish authorities in Cuba. Mrs. Grant very kindly went up stairs and desired General Dent to conduct the Cuban ladies to the library, and then inform President Grant that an interview with him was requested in reference to the case of Mr. Casanova. The President made his appearance promptly and entered freely into conversation with the ladies. He assured Mrs. Villaverde that he had given his personal attention to her father's case, and no later than this morning he had an interview with the Secretary of State in relation to it. Mrs. Villaverde was so overcome by the degree of interest manifested by the President that she burst into tears, which sensibly affected his Excellency, who again assured her that the United States government would do all in its power to protect its citizens everywhere. The interview then terminated.