

CUBA.

The Recognition of Free Cuba by the Mexican Government.

The following official correspondence has been received by the Central Republican Junta of Cuba and Porto Rico in this city. Mr. Santacilia is a son-in-law of President Juárez:—

MEXICO, April 3, 1862.

To the CENTRAL REPUBLICAN JUNTA OF CUBA AND PORTO RICO, in New York:—

I have the pleasure to inform you that the government of this republic has resolved that the Cuban flag be admitted in the ports of the nation, although no official declaration has yet been made recognizing the belligerent rights of our brothers. I have hopes that Congress will not delay in taking the Cuban question again into consideration, and I have many reasons to believe that something will be done showing the generous sympathy of the noble Mexican people toward our country.

Our country and liberty.

P. SANTACILIA,

Agent of the Republic of Cuba in Mexico.

MEXICO, April 6, 1862.

To the CENTRAL REPUBLICAN JUNTA OF CUBA AND PORTO RICO, in New York:—

When I announced to you in my previous communication, dated April 3, that the government had resolved upon the admission of the Cuban flag in the ports of the republic, I also indicated that Congress would soon take the same question again into consideration, and I did not hesitate to announce that its resolution would be in every point of view favorable to the cause of our brothers. To-day I have the pleasure to inform you that the House approved yesterday, by a majority of 100 votes against 12, the proposition presented by more than fifty deputies authorizing the Executive to recognize the Cubans as belligerents whenever it may deem it convenient to do so; and as the Executive, before receiving that authorization had already ordered that the flag of our country should be admitted into the ports of the republic, the recognition is really established, Mexico being the first nation to thus manifest by official acts its generous sympathy in favor of the Cuban revolution.

So perfect was the unanimity of the majority of the House with regard to this sentiment that there was no discussion whatever after the proposition was presented, and therefore those who, like myself, were prepared to defend it, found not even an opportunity to speak. Not only was the motion accepted without discussion, but it was also exempted from the usual rules and formalities, as the House considered that it was unnecessary to hear the report of a committee when the representatives of the people were so well convinced of the justice of the resolution.

It is proper that I should here mention to you as a fact, which in my opinion is of the highest significance, that in the votes which favored the motion are represented all the parties in Congress—a circumstance which suffices to prove that in questions of a high order and of a peculiar character there is and always will be the most perfect union and agreement between all thinking men of any standing in Mexico who belong to the great republican party.

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