

The Progress of Cuban Independence.

If an insurrection could be put down by falsehood and systematic misrepresentation the Spaniards would be the most successful people in the world in that way. From the supreme government at Madrid and its immediate agent, the Captain General of Cuba, to the smallest official or vilest Spanish volunteer, they are all mendacious. In fact, in political matters, and particularly with regard to what is transpiring in Cuba, they are the veriest gasconaders. What they cannot accomplish by arms they expect to do by falsehood. The Cuban revolution, according to the Spanish authorities and the Spanish press in Cuba, was a mere bagatelle from the beginning, and has been put down effectually many times since. Indeed, if it were possible to believe these incurable gascons, there is nothing of the revolution left. But what are the facts? It is notorious that the Cubans, from the very inception of the movement, have been gaining strength all the time, and to-day their cause looks brighter and more promising than ever. From the insignificant movement of Cespedes and a few of his patriot companions in the sparsely settled neighborhood of Bayamo, the insurrection has spread and acquired power over a large part of the island. It embraces now the most powerful and most numerous party by far in Cuba, and has constituted a better and abler government than that of the Spaniards. The large batch of news from different parts of the island published in yesterday's HERALD shows this to be so, notwithstanding the garbled and mendacious telegraphic despatches from Havana. The object of these misrepresentations is, of course, to deceive the American people and government; but they will fail to blind our people to the facts. Nor can the administration, however partial, stupid and shortsighted it may be, long resist the light of truth and popular sentiment. The time is not far off when the voice of the American people, through its representatives in Congress and otherwise, must be heard, and when the cause of Cuban independence must be recognized and sustained.